

### Wine profile

# 2018 SPÄTBURGUNDER "B" – PINOT NOIR

## Winegrowing area

The Rheingau covers approximately 3.000 hectares of vineyards and is one of the smallest wine growing regions in Germany. The southerly exposed vineyard sites protected by the Taunus mountain range are a reliable source of one of the finest Riesling wines of the country. Great Pinot wines are also produced here.

#### Vintage

2018 was a fantastic year for the vegetation in our vineyards. A bitter cold winter benefited the important hibernation of the vines. Mild temperatures in spring caused an early bud break. Our vineyards got luckily spared by winter frost. One of the hottest summers in the history of the winery was following. The dryness didn't affect the growth much and prevented the vines from fungal diseases. The vines were carrying a lot of grapes and the yield amount was high. The quality of the grape material was magnificent.

#### Grape variety

The right location and the vintner's skill are essential for Pinot noir (Spätburgunder) to fully express its elegant aroma profile.

The way of producing Spätburgunder – Pinot Noir is orientated at the Burgundy, where they use a chilled maceration on the skins for a few days and than start the alcoholic formation. We use 100% Barrique barrels for storage after fermentation.

#### Soils

Deep, gravely clay soils with layers of quartzite and slate prevail in these southerly exposed steep vineyard sites.

#### Wine estate

Implementing a strict quality philosophy Bernhard Breuer turned the family-owned wine estate with its 40 hectares into a leading estate in the Rheingau. Today Theresa Breuer runs the estate, supported by production manager Hermann Schmoranz and cellar master Markus Lundén.

### Wine description

Stored for a long time in French oak barrels. Bright ruby red, delicate aromas of wild berries, hints of smoke, clove and vanilla, framed by spicy structure, lush savoury fruit, ripe tannins, well-balanced and elegant. Low yields of 40 hl/hectare.

#### Food pairing

Ideal drinking temperature: 16° Celsius. We recommend decanting this wine; it pairs well with delicate roasts, smoked ham and ripe pecorino cheeses. Drink now to 2028.

Alcohol 12,5% vol · Residual sugar 0,1 g/l · Total acidity 5,5 g/l

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