



REICHSGRAF VON KESSELSTATT

- Established **since 1349**
- **Award-winning German Riesling** producer
- **Highly rated** by wine professionals
- **Popular** in Germany
- Served on **SIA First Class** and **Business Class**
- Served at **Gordon Ramsay** and **The Fat Duck**
(both are world famous 3-Michelin Stars restaurant)
- Wholly owns one of Germany's **famous Grand Cru** vineyards – **Josephshöfer**
- Member of **VDP** (association of top-quality German wine estates)
- All wines are fermented with **native yeasts**



The famous south-facing and steep **Josephshöfer** Grand Cru vineyard along the Mosel River

Image: **Reichsgraf von Kesselstatt**



DÖNNHOFF

- One of the **world's most sought-after** wine producers:

'These are some of the most justifiably fashionable and hardest-to-find Rieslings in the wine world and worth all the effort that it takes to latch on to a few bottles.'

The World's Greatest Wine Estates by Robert Parker

- Some of the **best dry Rieslings in the world**
- Served at the highly-acclaimed 3-Michelin stars **elBulli** restaurant in Spain
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The world famous **Niederhauser Hermannshöhle** Grand Cru vineyard – a top reference site for German Rieslings

Images: **Hermann Dönnhoff**



VAN VOLXEM

SAARWEINE GROSSER LAGEN

- This **German Riesling** producer is a **rising star** from the **Saar valley**
- At the end of the 19th century, German Rieslings from the Saar valley were the **most expensive** and **popular in the world**. Even surpassing fine 1st Growth Bordeaux! Today, **Van Volxem** is one of the front runners in **leading the German Rieslings Renaissance!**
- Roman, the current owner who is the scion of Germany's Bitburger (beer) and Gerolsteiner (water) family, gave up his family business to dedicate all his time managing and bringing this old estate (founded in 1743) back to its glory days
- Most of the vines here are from the **very best sites** from Saar and are at **least 30 years old** with one of sites **Gottesfuss**, having ungrafted vines which are **over 100 years**. i.e. pre-phylloxera.
- Definitely the **best dry German Rieslings** from Saar!

Images: Van Volxem



Bernhard Huber

- The most famous **German Pinot Noir** producer in the world!
- Cistercian monks brought Pinot Noir from Burgundy to Malterdingen (in the Baden region where Huber is located) **over 700 years ago**. They found that the soil/terroir is similar to that found in the Côte de Nuits – decomposed shell limestone.
- Strong reputation and following among the connoisseurs in Germany and top restaurants in Germany.
- In a **blind tasting** of 32 Grand Cru Burgundy by the Grand Jury Européen, **Huber's 1995 Pinot Noir 'Reserve'**, the 'guest wine' was rated No. 1, ahead of even Romanée Conti, Vogue and Meo Camuzet! Renowned French wine critic Michel Bettane thought it was Chambertin from Rousseau!
- 'Huber's wine is **absolutely one of the top in the world**' said Francois Mauss, a Frenchman and President of the Grand Jury Européen tasting panel.
- Their top Grand Cru vineyards include the **Bienenberg** and **Schlossberg. Wildenstein** is a parcel within Bienenberg which Huber regards as their finest Pinot Noir destined for the long haul.
- Won numerous awards and topped famous Burgs (Leroy and Armand Rousseau) in Singapore too! Sought after by Burg connoisseurs.



Top left: Werner Näkel, **Top right:** Steep slopes of the Ahr valley, **Bottom left:** Slate soil, **Bottom centre:** Meike and Dörte Näkel, **Bottom right:** Meyer Näkel wines

Meyer Näkel

- THE BEST **German Pinot Noir** from **Ahr valley** – Europe's northern most wine growing region. This is **cool climate Pinot Noir** as cool can get! Cool climate allows long ripening period which is key to Pinot Noir.
- **Cool climate** + steep **south facing** slopes of the Ahr valley+ **slate** soils (retain heat) + **River Ahr** (temperature moderation/stabilisation effect)= **Best possible microclimate for Pinot Noir!**
- **Winner** of 2008 **Decanter's International Trophy for Pinot Noir** – yes, beating Burgs at their own game including a Grand Cru Chambertin! And clearly ahead of NZ Pinot Noir.
- Produces **aromatic** Pinot Noir with **elegant structure** of **acidity** and **tannins**. Typically mineral in character especially their GGs (Grand Crus) - endowed by the slate soils.
- Best sites = Pharrwingert and Sonnenberg.
- **Serious Pinotphiles** must check out their **Dermauer Pharrwingert GG** and **Neuehrer Sonnenberg GG!**



Rudolf Fürst

Top left: Harvesting of Pinot Noir at Fürst, **Top right:** Aerial view of Burgstadter, **Bottom left:** natural cellar of Fürst, **Bottom right:** Fürst's Centgrafenberg – equivalent to a 1er Burg.

- Definitely **the best German Pinot Noir** from **Franken** – the only wine growing region of Bavaria, the land of BMW!
- Unmistakenly **the most Burgundy-like German Pinot Noir!**

‘Paul Fürst makes Germanys most velvety Pinot Noir wines which comes closest to a real Burgundy’ **Hugh Johnson**

- Gault Millau German Wine Guide’s **Producer of the Year in 2003.**
- **Centgrafenberg** – Fürst’s top vineyard.
- Weathered/broken sandstone overlaying decomposed shell limestones (similar to Cote d’Or, Burgundy). **Perfect for Pinot Noir!**
- If you think you can afford to give a miss to German Pinot Noir, **think again!** Today, connoisseurs and insiders are all quietly accumulating them before their prices soar to Burg levels!