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Estate Grauer Burgunder

## Estate Grauer Burgunder dry 2018




### Producer

The estate is located in Westhofen in southern Rheinhessen. On the 42 hectare family estate, cask wine was sold before Catherine entered the estate in 2010.

### Vintage report

A very early flowering thanks to the warmest April on record led to expectations of an early harvest. However the hot and dry, sunny summer served as an additional ripening accelerator. The settled weather conditions continued into harvest, allowing many grapes to stay on the vine right up to October and partly to November. The drought did present major challenges for growers in some locations and the steeper vineyards had to be partly irrigated. However, the Rheinhessen growers were overall pleasantly surprised with the performance of their vines. A growing season like 2018 is ideal especially for red wines because the grapes changed color very early and benefitted from the extended hang time. The 2018 white wines in Rheinhessen will be rich in aromas, varietally typical and fruity with moderate acidity levels.

### Characteristics

-  yellow fruits, fresh fruity aroma
-  yellow pears, spicy fresh bouquet, elegant texture paired with a slightly minerality
-  pizza, pasta, polenta, all types of vegetables

### Facts

Grape Variety	Grauer Burgunder
Terroir	Single vineyards: Westhofener Benn and Westhofener Steingrube, loess, clay and lime marl soil, south facing slope exposure
Appellation	Rheinhessen
Vinifikation	Single bow. Fermentation in stainless steel.



Alcohol	Residual Sugar	Acidity
12 %vol	6 g/l	6 g/l

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