



WINEMAKER

Guenter Windisch

VARIETALS

Pinot Noir

ABV

9%

AVAILABLE SIZES (L)

0.750



Windisch

Westhofener Bergkloster Pinot Noir

GERMANY, RHEINHESSEN



WINERY OVERVIEW

As far back as 1780, the Windisch family has lived in the village of Mommenheim near Nierstein and Mainz. Fritz Windisch was the first to start estate-bottling wine in the 1920s. Now his son Guenter carries on the family tradition.

As well as producing wines using the Riesling grape, the Windisch vineyards also produce fine wines using: Dornfelder, Scheurebe, Mueller-Thurgau, Silvaner, Grauer-Burgunder, Weisser-Burgunder, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Portugieser and Regent. Due to their individual sites, the Windisch vineyards are all different, but all have something common: They all have a racy, fruity character, and represent the typical character of wines from this growing region.

Average age of vines at Windisch is about 20 years. Total wine capacity is approx. 2 million litres kept in the wine cellar and warehouse. The permanent quality control and the maintenance of a stable temperature guarantee the excellent quality of the Windisch-wines.

VINEYARD

Typical vineyard soils in Rheinhessen is loess. Westhofener Bergkloster exhibits also an iron rich, red-hued soil with good drainage. The vineyards are further from the moderating influence of the Rhine, with a warmer microclimate than most German winegrowing regions. Unlike much of the region, where only 29% of vineyards are planted to red varieties, Windisch has over 50% of its vineyards planted to red varieties.

VITICULTURE

Windisch's viticulture is conventional, with machine harvesting. Harvest is typically in early September. Unlike many wineries of the region the

VINIFICATION

Destemmed grapes are inoculated with selected yeasts and undergo a cold soak prior to fermentation for better extraction. Fermentation is stopped by temperature while there is still residual sugar (in 2018, 81g/L). The wine is filtered, but not fined.

AGING

The wine is fermented and aged in steel tanks.

TASTING NOTES

This light bodied red wine is loved for its red fruit, floral and spice aromas, followed by a long, smooth finish.

