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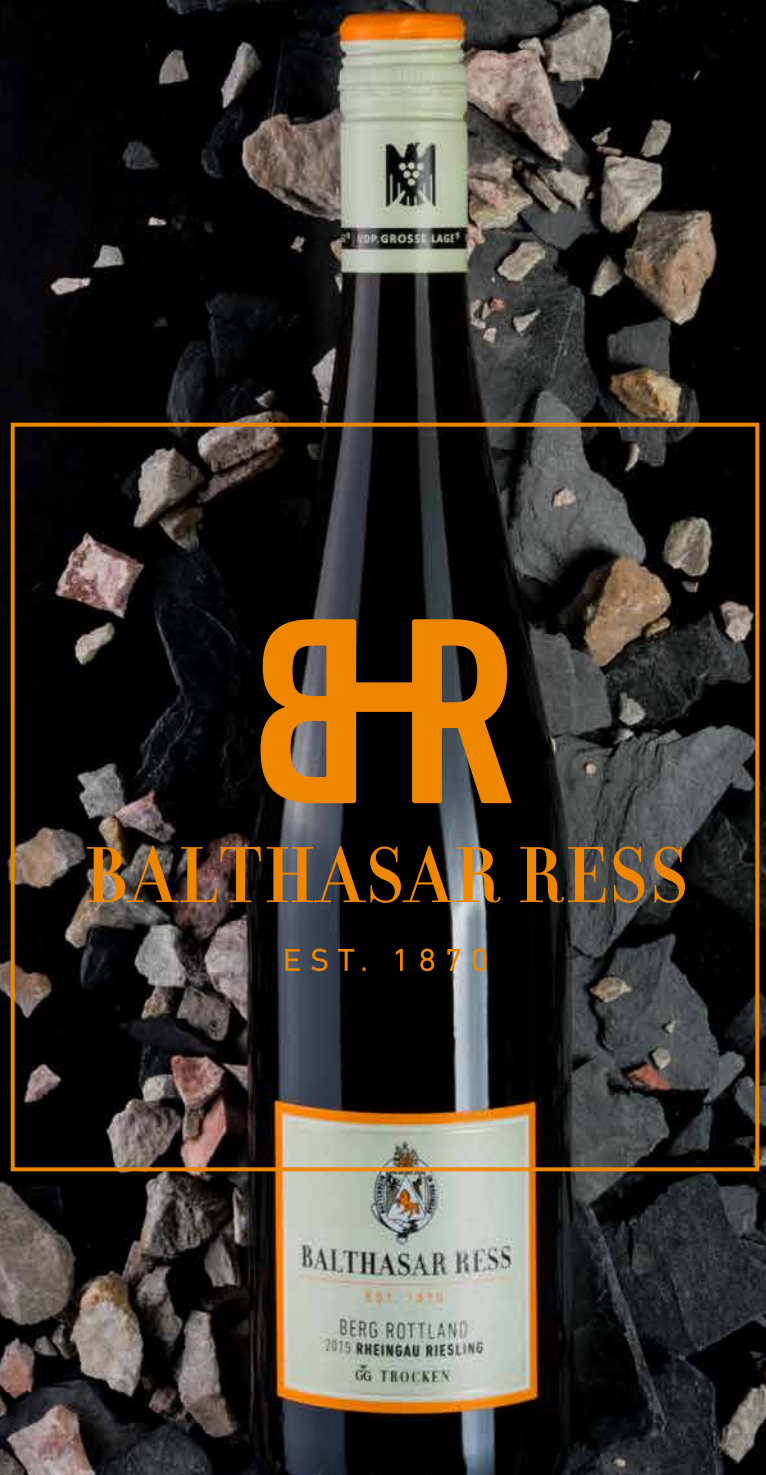

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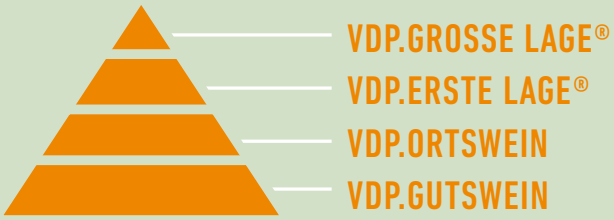
The VDP is the world's oldest association of wine estates. The skills of the trade have been handed down from generation to generation for a century. The VDP eagle – a stylized eagle bearing a cluster of grapes – guarantees pure wine pleasure. For wines of the highest quality from some of the finest wine estates in Germany, look for the emblem on the capsule: the VDP eagle and the initials VDP. Subject to high standards, the VDP and its nearly 200 members are a bastion of quality in today's globalized world, and they oppose anything that makes wine nondescript and artificial. You can rely on the eagle with the cluster of grapes – there's no better sign of quality.

Weingut Balthasar Ress, a member of the VDP since 1989, has structured its portfolio based on the VDP's refined, four-tier classification pyramid that became effective as of vintage 2012. This model distinguishes wines exclusively according to their origin.



LEGENDE

- dry
- semi-dry
- with natural, fruity sweetness
- lusciously sweet
- Aged in wood

CLOSURE

All half bottles and large-format bottles (magnums and larger) have cork closures. Unless specified otherwise, all 75-cl bottles as of vintage 2012 have screw caps.

CONDITIONS

The currently available vintage will be delivered.

GGs of vintage 2017 are on offer subject to successfully passing a Grosses Gewächs sensory examination.

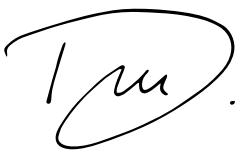
Please request details if interested in additional vintages bottled in large formats.

ORIGIN IS WHAT COUNTS

Last year, our last price list started with the words: The past year has brought us the greatest challenge of all time in viticulture. At that time, we were convinced that nothing could really shock us anymore. The year 2017 has proven us wrong and showed us that things can get a little more different and even more challenging. Agriculture, viticulture is and remains a task that is performed with nature. And if nature doesn't want to, if it's moody, it has massive consequences. The year began with late frost in April, at a time when the vines had already sprouted. We initially thought that we had been spared to a certain extent. Unfortunately, however, things turned out differently during the course of the remaining year. Our plants suffered a real cold shock and the first percent of the future harvest had already been lost. The hail hit us really hard on the night of August 1st. More than 70 % of our area was massively affected by hail. A disaster! Only through enormous efforts in terms of personnel and time did we manage to reap anything at all. Our team did an outstanding job - day and night. But our team is an outstanding one anyway! The quality of the grapes that were harvested was excellent. The quantity however wasn't.
2017 is the smallest vintage in the estate's 150-year history. We have already had to contend with low yields in recent years, partly because of the conversion to organic viticulture. The 2017 vintage was the icing on the cake. And not in a good way.

We have harvested well under 40 hectoliters on average. Combined with our enormous efforts, this was a great challenge. We therefore have no other choice than to increase prices for the 2017 vintage.
Of course, we know how sensitive price increases are. We have not made it easy for ourselves, but there are constraints that we also face. We have carried out the necessary price increases carefully and with great deliberation. We hope that you, as our sympathizers, will understand this step and remain loyal to us.
We are doing everything we can to not only maintain the quality of our wines, but also to constantly improve it. The past years have been characterized by many ideas, experiments and changes. We have found our way and continue to follow it consistently. With your ever-increasing interest in our wines, you show us that this is the right way to go. The national and international trade press also sees it that way. With the 2016 vintage, we have not only reached the top of the region, but are also one of the outstanding companies in the country. This fills us with pride. The great risk we took in 2010 to »transform« the entire company is paying off.

CHRISTIAN RESS owner and director



DIRK WÜRTZ production manager

Even today, almost 150 years after its foundation, Balthasar Ress is still wholly owned by the Ress family. Stefan and Christian Ress are the fourth and fifth generation of owners. Since 2010, Christian Ress has been responsible for the management of the company. Back then he set the goal of leading Balthasar Ress into the group of top estates in the Rheingau.

In 2009, Dirk Würtz came to the winery on the initiative of Christian Ress and took over responsibility for winemaking and viticulture in 2010. Since then, the estate has been completely restructured. Since 2014, Oliver Schmid has been at his side as vineyard manager. He has taken over Dirk Würtz´ position in 2018 and will insure that Balthasar Ress remain what they stand for today: Uncompromising quality and respect for nature.

»Mediocrity sucks!«
Christian Ress

The Ress family and their production manager:
Oliver Schmid, Stefan Ress and Christian Ress (from left to right)

»We are blown away by the fearless ones: THE ABSOLUTE STUNNING >32< *(...). The best we have tasted this year in terms of alternative winemaking!«* **GAULT & MILLAU WEINGUIDE 2018**

»A TRULY SUCCESSFUL YEAR! *Estate manager Dirk Würtz and his team have produced a series of juicy, harmonious flowing Rieslings in 2016. The > Von Unserm< is always a drinking pleasure.«* A DRINKING PLEASURE.«

VINUM WEINGUIDE 2018

93
POINTS

2016 HATTENHEIM NUSSBRUNNEN RIESLING GG

FALSTAFF 2018

»Still wild scent. Slight herbs, Tea, slightly ripe yellow fruit. Vibrant on the palate, firm acidity, fine enamel. Excellent, structuring phenolic. Pressure. Almost something reminiscent of vermouth with the finish.Very good length. Thrilling..«

95
PUNKTE

2016 RÜDESHEIMER BERG ROTTLAND GG

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91
POINTS

2015 HALLGARTEN RHEINGAU RIESLING

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94
POINTS

2016 RÜDESHEIM BERG ROTTLAND RIESLING GG

FALSTAFF 2018

»Fresh herbs, fierce notes, tea, grapefruit, Apple. A wild mix of flavors. What a powerful appearance on the palate. phenolic grip, lively acidity. Minerality. Everything spot on. This wine will have a great future, Chapeau!«

»The acidity is ripe and hovering, and the body is hold together more by tannin reminiscences than acid. This is not a sinewy muscle that pounds, but a warm-aromatic bubble-bath that triggers SENSUAL RELAXATION *once you slip in.The wine has* DEPTH AND BEAUTY *and a spicy pull, that should make it a fascinating food companion, so would I think. The desire for truffles kicks in.«*

MARKUS VAHLEFELD FROM HUFFINGTONPOST.DE IS BLOGGING ABOUT OUR 2016 WISSELBRUNNEN GG

91
POINTS

2016 HALLGARTEN ORTSWEIN RIESLING TROCKEN

THE WINE ADVOCATE

»(...)Round and elegant on the palate, this is a lush yet light to medium-bodied Riesling with a stimulatingly salty finish. Picked at 40 hectoliters per hectare, this undercover Jungfer grand cru stopped fermenting at 11.5 % alcohol, but its ten grams of residual sugar are just perfectly round and juicy. (...)«

92
PUNKTE

2016 HATTENHEIM WISSELBRUNNEN RIESLING GG

THE WINE ADVOCATE

»The 2016 Rheingau Riesling Trocken Hattenheim Wisselbrunnen "GG" exhibits an intense citrus color and ripe, perfectly concentrated tropical fruit with subtle mineral, yeasty and creamy Mirabelle flavors. This is beautifully precise and deep(...).Creamy and round on the palate, this is a lush and balanced Riesling with fine tannins. (...)«

93
POINTS

2016 HATTENHEIMER NUSSBRUNNEN GG

THE WINE ADVOCATE

»(…) This 2016 Nussbrunnen is a great success for Balthasar Ress. A classic. Dangerously digestible.(…)«

98
POINTS

2015 HATTENHEIM NUSSBRUNNEN RIESLING GG TROCKEN

WEIN-PLUS BEST OF 2017

»Riesling with malolactic fermation, wines that ferment for three years or rest on the lees for over two Years - EVERYTHING BUT MAINSTREAM WORKS HERE. *«* **GAULT & MILLAU WEINGUIDE 2018**

93
POINTS

2016 RÜDESHEIM BERG ROTTLAND RIESLING GG

THE WINE ADVOCATE

»(…) This is a very elegant, medium-weighted Riesling with a clear, fresh, stimulatingly salty and vitalizing finish.(…)«

95
POINTS

2014 »CAVIAR« SPÄTBURGUNDER TROCKEN

»With 95 points, the »Caviar« together with the Bienenberg GG "Wildenstein" by Huber are the best 2014 Pinot Noirs in all of Germany.«

WEIN-PLUS BEST OF 2016 / 07 – DEUTSCHER SPÄTBURGUNDER (GERMAN PINOT NOIR)

»The Rheingau presents itself with balanced acidity, cited by the Nussbrunnen from Balthasar Ress, A GREAT AND BOISTEROUS DANCING WINE *with 94-95 points! In addition a fine Wisselbrunnen and a beautiful Berg Rottland - Ress has established itself at the peak of the Rheingau.«* **NIKOS-WEINWELTEN 2017**

»The development the wine estate has taken under Christian Ress and estate manager Dirk Würtz within just a few years is more than amazing. Today the estate is one of regions Flagships, ITS RIESLINGS AND BURGUNDIES ARE AMONG THE ABSOLUTE BEST IN THE COUNTRY. *In points of Orange wines the estate is far ahead. And nobody should expect them to rest on their laurels.«* **WEINPLUS 2017 IN THE CONTEXT OF THE »AWARD WORLD CLASS PRODUCERS« FOR BALTHASAR RESS**

95
POINTS

2015 HALLGARTEN HENDELBERG RIESLING

DECANTER WORLD WINE AWARDS 2017

94
POINTS

2012 »42« RIESLING TROCKEN

WEIN-PLUS BEST OF 2017

91
PUNKTE

2016 RÜDESHEIM ORTSWEIN

THE WINE ADVOCATE

»The 2016 Rheingau Riesling Trocken Rüdesheim comes along with a pretty pure and stony yet also fruity bouquet with ripe bright fruit aromas. From low-yielding vines (…) this golden-yellow colored village wine offers a round, creamy, pretty rich yet dry and very elegant palate that displays a gorgeous mix of perfectly ripe Riesling fruit and the texture of weathered slate. The finish is piquant and spicy but also sensual. (…)this is an impressively well-structured but delicate and digestible Rüdesheim Riesling classic with a stimulatingly salty finish.«

Balthasar Ress in Chicago

Christian Ress and ambassador Dr. Martin Ney in the German Embassy in Delhi

Julia Jakob and Clarence Jackson in Winnipeg

Visitor of a Balthasar Ress presentation in China

Emilio Castrejón, owner and chef of Emilio Innobar, with Christian Ress in Palma

ALL AROUND

Eleonora Gottardi at Vinitaly, Verona

Christian Ress with sommeliers on Soneva Fushi, Maledives

Christian Ress in Abu Dhabi

Stefan Ress with the director of Hessen Trade & Invest GmbH, Dr. Rainer Waldschmidt, on the top of Marina Bay Sands, Singapore

Christian Ress in a Dubai Duty Free store at the airport in Dubai

Christia

Jerome Faure and his sommelier team of Constance-Resorts on the Vinexpo, Bordeaux

Christian Ress in Prince Maurice, Mauritius

Christian Ress with Singapore Airlines staff

Dirk Würtz, Fred Elleman, Christian Ress at the Riesling Gala, Kloster Eberbach

Dirk Würtz and Thomas Valø on the island Bujø

Christian Ress with the service team of Ce Le Vi on the top of Marina Bay Sands, Singapore

THE WORLD

Christian Ress and Olivier Brun with sommeliers of Constance Moofushi, Maledives

Christian Ress at a reception of the German Embassy in Delhi

Christian Ress at a tasting of the Singapore Airlines Wine Appreciation Group, Singapore

n Ress in Dubai

Christian Ress at a reception of the German Embassy in Delhi

THE RHEINGAU

FACTS / FIGURES

Some 78 % of the productive vineyard area is planted with Riesling; 12 %, with Pinot Noir.

There are ca. 3,100 ha (7,660 acres) of productive vines, of which 340 ha (849 acres) are steep sites.

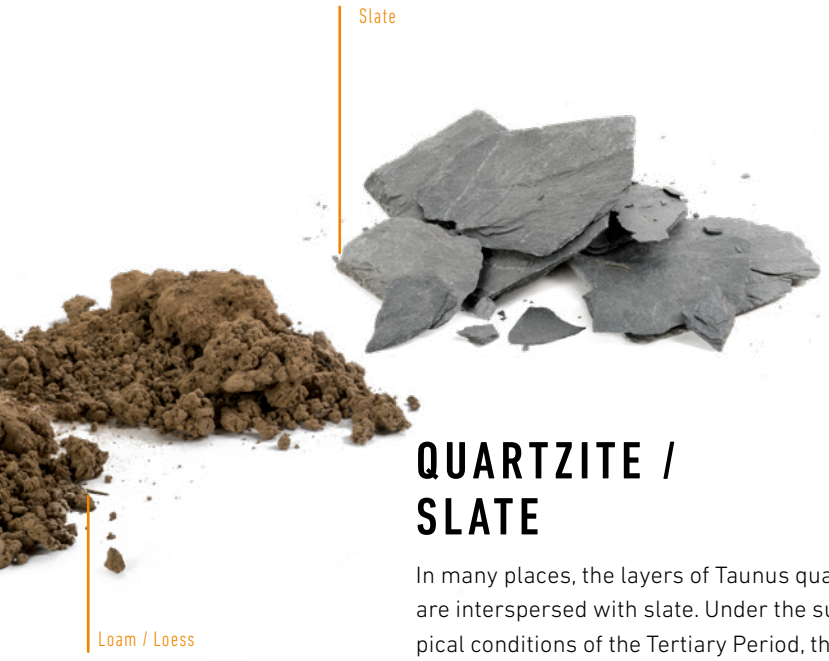
Fewer than 200 viticultural enterprises are members of cooperatives; some 250 have less than one ha (ca. 2.5 acres) of vines; and about as many cultivate between one and ten ha (ca. 2.5 and 25 acres).

Only about 60 estates have more than ten hectares (ca. 25 acres).

Some 70 % of all wines are sold in bottles; only 20 % in cask; and about 10 % as must.

Annually, about 590 liters (156 gallons) of rain fall in the region (30-year average), and there are 1,700 sun hours per year.

Some 750 wine estates cultivate vines in 118 individual vineyard sites. The average annual yield (ten-year average) is 75 hectoliters per hectare.



QUARTZITE / SLATE

In many places, the layers of Taunus quartzite are interspersed with slate. Under the subtropical conditions of the Tertiary Period, the slate weathered into a fine red earth rich in clay. The gray-brown topsoil also contains weathered loess. These are demanding conditions for vines. Although the soil is acid and contains no calcium carbonate, the clay supplies sufficient nutrients and trace elements. The soil is quick to warm up because of the low water content and high solar radiation levels along the slope. The plants react by reducing the number and size of the grapes.

LOAM / LOESS CLAY SHALE

This soil contains quartz, feldspar, mica, various clay minerals and a lot of calcium carbonate. Iron oxides give the loess its yellow-brown color. The friable substrate makes it easy for the roots of the vine to penetrate deep into the soil to reach water and nutrients. The most important property of loess is its ability to store vast quantities of water and provide it to the vines. However, this does not prevent air from circulating in the pores. The silty soil is easy to manage but is also readily washed away.

RIPARIAN AREAS

Young River Deposits, only a few thousand years old, overlie the ice- age gravels of the river valleys. These sandy or silty deposits are nutrient-rich, fertile locations offering best conditions for grapevines if climatic and hydrological conditions permit. The loose substrate enables vines to easily develop deep roots. The calcareous soil supplies a wealth of water and nutrients, and even in dry years, there is an ample water supply.
Source: kulturland-rheingau.de

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BERG ROTTLAND
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DOOSBERG
VDP. GROSSE LAGE® P. 32

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REICHARTSHAUSEN
MONOPOLE
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5 HATTENHEIMER ENGELMANNSBERG

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7 HATTENHEIM NUSSBRUNNEN

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10 HALLGARTENER HENDELBERG

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11 WEINGUT BALTHASAR RESS

was founded in **1870** / is **100% family-owned** / is family-operated in the **5 th generation** / is a member of VDP since **1989** / ownes and operates an estate wine bar and wine shop in Wiesbaden downtown since 2013 p.53 / is with its **Riesling-Bulli** »The Rolling Wine Pub« on tour since 2015 p.55 / has space for 120 guests at events in the estate manor / opens its **Vinothek in Hattenheim** (wine shop) 7 days a week p.52 /

R produces **88% Riesling**, 10% Pinot Noir, 1% Pinot Blanc / has **42 hectares vines** in the Rheingau / produces approx. **250.000** bottles of wine yearly / has 3 hectares vines in Rheinhessen / uses **no herbicides** since 2010 / has been in the process of obtaining **organic certification since 2016** / estate manor accommodates the wineBANK since 2009 p.57 / delivers wines in more than **30 countries worldwide**

RESPECT & PASSION

HOW WE WORK

In 2009, when we decided to do a lot of things differently in the future, it was clear that this referred primarily to our work in the vineyard. Since then, things have changed almost dramatically. First, we dispensed with herbicides. Herbicides are used to kill weeds at the base of a vine. Better known as »Roundup.« Actually, »weeds« is a misnomer. At our wine estate, we no longer speak of weeds, but rather »wild herbs.« We tackle them mechanically, using a special blade attached to a tractor. If that does not do the trick, then we work by hand, with a hoe – the traditional method, as in the past.

2016 our whole corporation got organicly certified.
A huge, but logical and consistent step for us.

On the whole, we've devoted much more attention to the soil and its condition. We've begun to change our green cover. We're re-placing the easily passable, uniform rows with more environmentally sound plants that foster biodiversity in the vineyard's microcosm. This alone precludes a return to the use of herbicides.

We feel that soil management is essential to producing wines with individuality. Particularly in light of climate change. The weather is increasingly marked by extremes. It's either too dry or too wet. This automatically results in our rethinking our methods of soil cultivation. By the way, only vines grown in healthy soils can yield grapes that are suitable for making very special wines.

Once we began to think about these things, our thoughts quickly went from the big picture to the smallest detail. As such, it was only logical for us to come to terms with organic viticulture. Slowly and carefully, of course. It's a process like any other. You have to experience it and understand it in its entirety.

Little by little, after many years of working more and more ecologically, we decided to obtain organic certification in the spring of 2016. It was a big step, but a logical move for us.

In recent years we've concluded that the results have been quite convincing. The grapes remain healthier longer and they're more resistant. The wines taste different. They're firmer. They have more depth and a completely different mouthfeel.

Fermentation often begins spontaneously. Fortunately, we have a very good, positive yeast flora in our cellar. Some musts ferment quickly; others need months; and others need even more than a year to completely ferment until dry.

As we pursue our present path, we're learning all kinds of interesting things. Maria Thun's biodynamic sowing and planting calendar, for example. It's based on the constellations and essentially helps one know the right point in time to do what's »right« and avoid what's »wrong.« At first, this might seem quite esoteric and perhaps even absurd. Yet, a closer look reveals that it is enormously helpful. The scientific community remains skeptical. We have our doubts, too. Yet practical tests in recent years have shown both the affect and the success. What is important to us is knowing the so-called »planting time,« during which we prune our vines or sow green cover.

Naturally, all of this has to fit into our working procedures. After initial hesitation, we've now decided to consistently adapt our operations to this calendar.

Another important aspect of our vineyard work is canopy management. It is fantastic to see how this can affect the health of our grapes. This is strictly manual labor, and clearly associated with high personnel costs. And the more we follow this route, the more intense it all becomes.

There's quite a contrast between our outdoor and indoor work. The latter is much less intense, almost relaxed. After an extremely painstaking selection, our grapes are gently pressed. We don't always do this immediately. Sometimes we give the crushed grapes standing time in order to extract more aromas. After pressing, we let the must settle to clarify a bit, then the musts go into tanks or wooden casks. Normally, that's it.

We have wines in cask that have even gone through an additional annual cycle. These wines are exceptionally balanced and harmonious. At least we think so. If possible, we let our dry wines undergo a malolactic fermentation. This helps round them out, reduces their acidity, and gives them typicity.
Simply what we call Heimatwein.

All of our dry wines remain on the coarse lees until shortly before bottling, which is when they usually receive sulfur, too. While we feel that sulfur serves a purpose, we're pleased to note that in recent years, our wines have needed less sulfur. Shortly before bottling, the wines are gently filtered through diatomaceous earth. That's all. Things could hardly be more minimal.

»World-class producer: Year for year, the wines of these estates number among the very best of their class and are virtually UNRIVALED *at the top end – and this, regardless of vintage fluctuations. Even the simpler, everyday wines are almost always excellent.«*

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Fein sei der Wein

ON BOTH SIDES OF THE RHINE

VDP.GUTSWEIN

RHEIN / RHEINGAU

Our Vineyards are scattered over the whole of the Rheingau region – from Erbach to Rüdesheim. Many of which have been in our possession for generations. Over the past few years we have also begun working vineyards in Rheinhessen. And it is from these sites which our important, everyday „Gutsweine" derive. Wines, filled not only with passion but also hard labour, a delight and simply to be enjoyed.

LANDWEIN RHEIN

2017 75 cl	**PINOT BLANC TROCKEN***	Art. No. 10000
2016 75 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No. 10003
2017 75 cl	**PINOT NOIR ROSÉ TROCKEN***	Art. No. 10004

*Grapes and basic wines are originated from our long-standing contractual partner. These wines are not branded with the VDP eagle.

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2016 100 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No. 11031
2017 75 cl	**RIESLING**	Art. No. 11011
2015 75 cl	**ROTWEIN TROCKEN**	Art. No. 11039

PRÄDIKATSWEIN

2016 75 cl	**RIESLING KABINETT TROCKEN**	Art. No. 11010

»Christian Ress landed a first-rate communicator when he hired Dirk Würtz as his cellar master. Würtz is also known far and wide as a winemaker. The youngest wines confirm the qualities of the vineyard team and cellar master, whereby the categories on the lower rungs of the classification pyramid also gave us a lot of pleasure. For example, we have a Rüdesheimer Ortswein (village wine) of great substance; two fruity, juicy Kabinett wines; and our razor-sharp >Von Unserm< Gutsriesling (entry-level regional wine), which a jury praised as being a >good fat burner with country cooking<.«

FALSTAFF WEIN GUIDE 2017

VDP.GUTSWEINE

VDP.GUTSWEINE are interesting and good entry-level wines in the origin-based quality hierarchy of the Balthasar Ress estate. The wines originate from the estate's holdings and meet the stringent standards prescribed by the VDP.

OUR CALLING CARD

The practice of using »Von Unserm« to denote specially selected wines was started by Balthasar Ress, who founded the estate bearing his name in 1870. This brand – now in use for more than 140 years – and the high standards it represents are well proven. This wine's present identity dates from a relaunch in the late 1980s – it is a high-quality, dry wine produced from fully ripened grapes.

VDP.GUTSWEIN
»von unserm«

The Balthasar Ress team drinking a large bottle of 1930 »Von Unserm«.

»von unserm«

RHEINGAU

»Von Unserm« is a dry wine produced in a traditional manner and designed to meet high expectations – it is the »calling card« of the estate!

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2017 75 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No. 12000
2016 75 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No. 12000
2016 150 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No. 12004
2016 75 cl	**PINOT NOIR TROCKEN**	Art. No. 12001

»von unserm-s«

BESTES FASS S BESTES FASS

RHEINGAU

Our „Von Unserm-S" wines are strictly limited and a blend of the best of each cask. Extraordinary wines for special occasions!

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2014 75 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No.12005
2015 75 cl	**PINOT NOIR TROCKEN** Beckustator: 90 Points	Art. No. 12002

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»With its full, white-peach nose and elegant balance of lively acidity and ripe fruit, this dry Riesling is hard to resist. There's some textural interest and the hint of funk is typical for this producer and unobtrusive.«

JAMESSUCKLING.COM: 90 POINTS
FOR THE 2015 RÜDESHEIM RHEINGAU RIESLING DRY

AMBASSADOR OF BEST GROUNDS

VDP.ORTSWEIN

OESTRICH

Oestricher Doosberg was one of the first vineyards in which the estate had holdings. To this day, we have numerous vineyards in Oestrich, primarily in the Doosberg and Lenchen sites. The deep, loamy loess soils bring forth expressive, elegant wines.

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2017 **RIESLING TROCKEN** Art. No. 13032
75 cl

HATTENHEIM

Hattenheim, the home of Weingut Balthasar Ress, is a very special wine village. No fewer than five VDP estates are located here. Hattenheim's 211 hectares (521 acres) of vines include world-renowned individual sites. The deep, mineral-rich soils have a high water retention capacity and lend the wines great vigor and expression – in addition to a typical, racy Rheingau acidity.

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2017 **RIESLING** Art. No. 13011
75 cl

HALLGARTEN

Hallgarten is the highest wine village in the Rheingau, with vineyards reaching nearly 1,000 feet above sea level. Due to climate change, sites at high elevations have become increasingly attractive. The grapes ripen longer and later and thus have a chance to develop perfect aromas. We have cultivated vineyards in Hallgarten for several decades and have significantly expanded our holdings in recent years. Today, our 12 ha / 30 acres of vines are more than reason enough to produce an Ortswein from this village. Their clarity and particularly elegant acidity are appealing. Our Hallgarten wines are typical cool-climate wines.

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2016 **RIESLING** Art. No. 13031
75 cl
Wine Advocate: 91 Points
falstaff: 90 Points

RÜDESHEIM

Weingut Balthasar Ress has had holdings in Rüdesheim's finest classified sites for decades. Only the sites Berg Schlossberg and Berg Rottland are named on the labels of our VDP.GROSSE LAGE® wines. Wines from our other classified first-class sites – Klosterlay, Bischofsberg, and Roseneck – are the components for this village cuvée. It is a great introduction to the fascinating world of the mineral-rich wines of Rüdesheim, an appellation appreciated around the world.

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2017 **RIESLING TROCKEN** Art. No. 13028
75 cl
jamessuckling.com: 91 Points,
falstaff: 90 Points

VDP.ORTSWEINE

VDP.ORTSWEINE originate from a village's best vineyards. They are the ambassadors of its respective terroir. Grape varieties typical of the region and low yields are prerequisites for these wines. VDP.ORTSWEINE are the link between VDP.GUTSWEINE and the wines in the very good and very best categories.

FIRST CLASS VINE-YARDS

VDP.ERSTE LAGE®

SCHLOSS REICHARTSHAUSEN

EXCLUSIVE POSSESSION

The vineyards bearing the appellation Schloss Reichartshausen, listed in the vineyard register as an independent district, have been solely owned by Balthasar Ress since the 1970s. From the early 12th century to the early 19th century it belonged to Kloster Eberbach and was one of the monastery's important outlying properties. In carrying on the great tradition of Kloster Eberbach, Balthasar Ress cultivates only Riesling vines here. The sandy soils bring forth very racy wines with a pronounced acidity. The vineyards are relatively flat; some lie adjacent to the Rhine.

RHEINGAU PRÄDIKATSWEIN

2016 **RIESLING KABINETT** Art.-No. 14409
75 cl

2015 **RIESLING KABINETT** Art.-No. 14409
75 cl

HALLGARTENER HENDELBERG

The name Hendelberg could have originated as »Hindelberg,« alluding to a doe. The sloping site was first documented in 1418, when the Mainz Archbishop Johann II of Nassau grant-ed the wine-growers of Hallgarten permission to clear the land and plant vines in exchange for payment in wine. Near the crest of the forested Taunus Hills, the soils are deep, stony slate. Further downhill there are even meadows of loess-loam. The wines are equally weighty, rich in mineral tones, and have a marked acidity. Bottle aging enables the Hendelberg wines to unfold their full diversity.

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2016 75 cl **RIESLING** Art. No. 14451
Decanter: 95 Points,
Wine Advocate: 90+ Points,
falstaff: 90 Points

HATTENHEIMER SCHÜTZENHAUS

To the west, directly above the slopes of the „Pfaffenberg", the undulating site climbs from 100 m above sea level through to 150 m. These south southwesterly facing vineyards are boundaried to the east by the road leading to Kloster Eberbach and to the west, the road to Hallgarten.
This relatively long extended site enjoys protection from extreme easterly winds due to its` slightly west facing exposure. The name "Traubenschütz" (grape protection) was the name of a small hut once used by workers in the autumn, as protection from the elements. Their job was to scare off hungry starlings using a blank gun. The soil conditions in these areas range from alluvial ground through to deep Loess and Loess loam, often showing traces of Tertiary Marl. The advantages, particularly in drought periods, of these water retaining and fertile soils, speak for themselves.

RHEINGAU PRÄDIKATSWEIN

2016 75 cl **RIESLING KABINETT** Art. No. 14178
falstaff: 89 Points

VDP.ERSTE LAGE®

We use VDP.ERSTE LAGE® to denote a wine from classified single vineyard that unmistakably reflects the influence of its microclimate and soil structure, and shows especially high quality potential. Wines from these first-class are on a par with the finest international growths. Our VDP.ERSTE LAGE® wines pay homage to our soils and microclimates – our home. Our goal is to produce these wines as authentically as possible. As such, we do not embrace oenological innovations and practices, nor do we use cultured yeasts.

HATTENHEIMER ENGELMANNSBERG

The Engelmannsberg site lies west of the road from Hattenheim to Kloster Eberbach monastery and runs south to the border with the Rheingau railroad tracks. It is interspersed by a few vineyard hedges. Although relatively flat, it is enclosed by the occasional old, natural stone wall – a sight very seldom seen in the central Rheingau. Looking toward the west affords a wonderful view of Hattenheim and the entire Rheingau as far as the »Binger Loch« shoals near Rüdesheim. The name Engelmannsberg derives from »Edelknecht Engilmann« of Hattenheim, a knight who deeded his wine estates to Kloster Eberbach in 1321. The soil consists primarily of loess, loam, Tertiary marl, and clay lenses. Thanks to its deep structure, the soil can store lots of water, thereby ensuring a considerable supply of water, minerals, and nutrients even in dry years. The vines are able to spread their roots and be optimally nourished.

»The vigorous Engelmannsberg is on the same level with the Großen Gewächse«

VINUM WEINGUIDE 2018

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2017 75 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN** falstaff: 90 Points available from 1st May 2018	Art. No. 14089
2016 75 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN** Wein-Plus: 91 Points, falstaff: 91 Points	Art. No. 14089
2014 75 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No. 14089
2012 75 cl	**RIESLING TROCKEN** Wine Spectator: 94 Points, Beckustator: 92 Points	Art. No. 14089

RHEINGAU PRÄDIKATSWEIN

2015 37,5 cl	**RIESLING TBA**	Art. No. 14461
2004 37,5 cl	**RIESLING EISWEIN**	Art. No. 14080
2004 75 cl	**RIESLING EISWEIN**	Art. No. 14081

LEASE A VINE

As a special gift, Balthasar Ress leases individual Riesling vines in the Rheingau site VDP.ERSTE LAGE® Hattenheim Engelmannsberg. Three-, five-, ten- and 25-year leases are available.

Each grapevine that is leased is identified by an engraved tag bearing the new owner's name, and the new owner has the right to visit the vineyard at any time to monitor the development and care of his/her grapevine, and can also take part in the grape harvest in autumn.

Naturally, all who receive such a gift are also entitled to a share of the harvest annually, in the form of a bottle of wine. Shipping within Germany is free of charge.

Vine owners also receive a deed that documents ownership as well as the rights to which owners are entitled.

FOR A TERM OF	**3 YEARS**	Art. No. 32000
FOR A TERM OF	**5 YEARS**	Art. No. 32001
FOR A TERM OF	**10 YEARS**	Art. No. 32002
FOR A TERM OF	**25 YEARS**	Art. No. 32003

Grape harvest of the leaseholders 2016 at Hattenheim Engelmannsberg

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»Still wild scent. Slight herbs,Tea, slightly ripe yellow fruit. Vibrant on the palate, firm acidity, fine enamel.Excellent, structuring phenolic. Pressure.Almost something reminiscent of vermouth with the finish.Very good length. Thrilling.«

FALSTAFF 2018, 93 POINTS, 2016 HATTENHEIM NUSSBRUNNEN RIESLING GG

BRUNNEN-LAGEN

VDP.GROSSE LAGE®

HATTENHEIM NUSSBRUNNEN

The Nussbrunnen vineyard in Hattenheim has a south-southeastern exposure. The name derives from a "Brunnen," or spring, that was surrounded by nut trees. The source of the spring is still visible today. It borders the site Wisselbrunnen and lies 87 meters/285 feet above sea level, well protected from cold northerly winds. Due to impermeable layers within the site's deep loess soils, the water supply is lateral and even in dry years always sufficient for a good water balance.

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2017 75 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** available from 1st Mai 2019	Art. No. 14134
2016 75 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wein-Plus: 93 Points, Robert Parker: 90 Points Wine Spectator: 93 Points, falstaff: 93 Points, Wine Advocate: 93 Points	Art. No. 14134
2016 150 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine ranking: s.a.	Art. No. 14452
2016 300 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine ranking: s.a.	Art. No. 14443
2016 600 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine ranking: s.a.	Art. No. 14137
2016 1.200 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine ranking: s.a.	Art. No. 14442

RHEINGAU PRÄDIKATSWEIN

2011 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE**	Art. No. 14139
2015 37,5 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14118
2012 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE** Wine Spectator: 92 Points / Jancis Robinson: 16,5 / 20 Points CWSA - China Wine & Spirits Awards: Gold medal	Art. No. 14120
2006 37,5 cl	**RIESLING BEERENAUSLESE**	Art. No. 14125
2006 75 cl	**RIESLING BEERENAUSLESE**	Art. No. 14126

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HATTENHEIM WISSELBRUNNEN

The origin of the site's name is open to theory. On the one hand, Wisselbrunnen could derive from "Wiesel," i.e. weasel, or "Wiese," meaning meadow. Others see an affinity with the Latin "fistula," or pipe[s], in reference to the "Brunnen," or spring, located there. The vineyard lies 100 meters/328 feet above sea level and faces south-southwest, an optimal position for absorbing solar radiation. Wisselbrunnen's light, Tertiary marl soils have a good water balance so that even in very dry years, grapes can ripen extremely well.

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2017 75 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** available from 1st September 2018	Art. No. 14206
2016 150 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine Advocate: 92 Points, falstaff 2018: 93 Points	Art. No. 14207
2016 300 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine ranking s.a.	Art. No. 14444
2016 600 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine ranking s.a.	Art. No. 14469

OESTRICH DOOSBERG

A south-facing, gentle slope within the Doosberg site forms the eastern edge of Oestrich's vineyard area. It is a homogenous surface that is uninterrupted by valleys or streams. The constant breeze that blows over this incline is particularly advantageous in autumn when it enables the dampness of fog or rain to dry out and the grapes remain healthier longer. The heart of the site lies on a little knoll that lends it a west-facing slope. Gravelly deposits interlace the humus and partially clayish loamy loess soils. Thanks to its slope and these bands of gravel, Doosberg has an optimal water supply.

RHEINGAU PRÄDIKATSWEIN

2013 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14269
2015 37,5 cl	**RSLG. TROCKENBEERENAUSLESE**	Art. No. 14460

ERBACH MARCOBRUNN

Marcobrunn lies between Erbach and Hattenheim on a south-facing slope. The name was mentioned before 1200 as "markenburne" and as of 1275, "markenborne." It comes from the word "marka," meaning border, and refers to a "Brunnen," or spring, on the border between the two towns. In 1810, when the people of Erbach erected a decorative, classicistic frame over the spring, they inscribed "Marcobrunnen of Erbach" on its cornice. The people of Hattenheim were not amused and countered with a saying about the rights to the Marcobrunn: "For Erbach, the water; for Hattenheim, the wine." The soils are medium deep and marked by micaveined Tertiary marl. The water supply is partially lateral.

RHEINGAU PRÄDIKATSWEIN

2006 37,5 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14024
2006 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14025

BRUNNENKISTE

Weingut Balthasar Ress has had holdings in the world-renowned "Brunnen," or spring, sites Nussbrunnen and Wisselbrunnen for decades, and in recent years, we have also had a small parcel of the Marcobrunn site. Enjoy a journey of discovery with our "Brunnenkiste" that contains wines from three of Germany's most famous vineyard sites.
Limited edition!

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN / PRÄDIKATSWEIN

75 cl	**6ER BRUNNENKISTE**	Art. No. 60001

2/1 x 75 cl wines from the locations Nussbrunnen, Wisselbrunnen and Marcobrunn.

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BERG ROTTLAND

VDP.GROSSE LAGE®

2014 BERG ROTTLAND RIESLING GG DRY: 95 POINTS

»Firm, deep, intensely mineral, and slightly reminiscent of soup herbs; has an earthy scent with hints of yellow fruit and dark berry aromas. Tightly knit, pungent, juicy, subtle fruit; hints of nut; very fine acidity and very delicate, sweet creaminess; lots of ripe tanin on the palate; lasting, concentrated, and deep; lots of earthy mineral tones; tobacco and dried floral nuances in the back-ground; a hint of dark berries; at rest in itself; enormous minerality; very good to long finish. Unobtrusive, yet splendid. Drinkability: 2017 – 2028+«

WEIN-PLUS

RÜDESHEIM BERG ROTTLAND

Berg Rottland is a steep site with a slope of 33%. It is situated on the western edge of town, near the Rhine shoals known as the "Binger Loch." The name derives from the German "reuten, rotten, roden," and refers to clearing the land in order to cultivate vines. It was probably first documented between 1031-1051 in a deed of gift in which the archbishop of Mainz permitted winegrowers in Rüdesheim and Eibingen to clear the fallow land. The soils are quite stony, and vary within the site: slate,quartzite and gravel, partially covered with loess. Thanks to the optimal microclimate with its high degree of sunlight and solar radiation, grapes ripen very well in the Berg Rottland site.

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2017 75 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** available from 1st September 2018	Art. No. 14330
2015 75 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine Advocate: 92 Points, Beckustator: 95 Points	Art. No. 14330
2016 150 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wein-Plus: 95 Points, Robert Parker: 91 Points, Weinwirtschaft: 91 Points, falstaff: 94 Points, Jancis Robinson: 18/20 Points, Weinwisser: 17/20 Points, Meiningers: 95 Points, Wine Advocate: 93 Points	Art. No. 14332
2016 300 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine ranking s.a.	Art. No. 14445
2014 600 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine ranking s.a.	Art. No. 14446
2013 1.200 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wine ranking s.a.	Art. No. 14447

RHEINGAU PRÄDIKATSWEIN

2012 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE** Gault&Millau: 88 Points	Art. No. 14336
2007 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE**	Art. No. 14336
2006 37,5 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14317
2009 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14319

A look at the history of Riesling at the close of the 19th and the dawn of the 20th centuries shows that many of these wines often had between 18 and 20 grams of residual sugar. This style of wine is quite fitting for our region. It is a style we want to revive, which is why there are a couple of nondry alternatives listed among our GGs this year.

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BERG SCHLOSS-BERG

VDP.GROSSE LAGE®

»With this wine's style and balance, Balthasar Ress has finally found a parallel to the development of Gut Hermannsberg on the Nahe River. Both have a very marked signature that enriches the ever-growing circle of absolutely top estates.«

MEININGERS SOMMELIER 04/2016

RÜDESHEIM BERG SCHLOSSBERG

With an incline of 70%, Rüdesheimer Berg Schlossberg is the steepest vineyard in the Rheingau. Its name derives from the Ehrenfels castle ruins. The vineyards on the "Rüdesheimer Berg" – the steep slopes adjacent to Rüdesheim – particularly the protected Berg Schlossberg site, benefit from intense solar radiation. The slate and Taunus quartzite soils absorb heat during the day and gently release it during the night.

RÜDESHEIM BERG SCHLOSSBERG

2017 75 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** available from 1st September 2018	Art. No. 14346
2015 150 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN** Wein-Plus: 93 Points	Art. No. 14348
2012 1200 cl	**RIESLING GG TROCKEN**	Art. No. 14351
2013 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14340

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WINE FROM THE ISLAND

SÖL'RING

»Üüs Söl'ring Lön', dü best üüs helig;
Dü blefst üüs ain, dü best üüs Lek! Din Wiis tö
hual'en, sen wü welig; Di Söl'ring Spraak auriit wü
ek. Wü bliiv me di ark Tir forbün'en, Sa lung üs wü
üp Warel' sen. Uk diar jaar Uuning bütlön' fün'en,
Ja leng dach altert tö di hen. Kumt Riin, Kumt
Senenskiin, Kum junk of lekelk Tiren, Tö Söl' wü
hual' Aural; Wü bliiv truu Söl'ring Liren!«

SÖLRING SONG FROM
HANS PETER CHRISTIANSEN

LEASE A VINE AT SYLT

As a special gift, Balthasar Ress leases individual Riesling vines in Keitum/Sylt. Three-, five-, ten-year leases are available.

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Naturally, all who receive such a gift are also entitled to a share of the harvest annually, in the form of a bottle of wine. Shipping within Germany is free of charge.

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FOR A TERM OF	**3 YEARS**	Art. No. 32004
FOR A TERM OF	**5 YEARS**	Art. No. 32005
FOR A TERM OF	**10 YEARS**	Art. No. 32006

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SÖL'RING

In 2009, the Agricultural Ministry of Schleswig-Holstein awarded Weingut Balthasar Ress a contract to cultivate a 0.3-ha (0.7-acre) piece of property on the island. Our vineyard lies on the outskirts of Keitum, Gemany's northernmost »wine village,« 10 meters (ca. 33 ft.) above sea level in close proximity to the Wadden Sea of the island of Sylt.

The small vineyard in Keitum/Sylt lies in a hollow and is sheltered on three sides by plant growth that guarantees optimal wind protection. The microclimate, with its high number of sun hours, bodes well for cultivating the early ripening variety Solaris.

Vinification on Sylt takes place in a pressing and fermentation station constructed expressly for this purpose in Keitum. This ensures that the wines produced there are legally entitled to bear the appellation of origin »Schleswig-Holsteinischer Landwein«.

SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEINISCHER LANDWEIN

2017 **SOLARIS TROCKEN** Art. No. 16004
75 cl

VDP.GUTSWEINE

VDP.GUTSWEINE are interesting and good entry-level wines in the origin-based quality hierarchy of the Balthasar Ress estate. The wines originate from the estate's holdings and meet the stringent standards prescribed by the VDP.

NATURALLY RESS!

NATURAL WINES

The latter was necessary not least because of the lengthy time some of our wines needed to completely ferment. In the course of this process, we discovered some very fundamental things, the most important of which is the fact that extremely long aging on the lees significantly contributes to the stability our wines. This, in turn, means that our wines have needed little, if any, sulfur - the additive that helps stabilize a wine. It's essential in wines with residual sugar; less so in dry wines. While we do not number among those who fundamentally oppose the use of sulfur, we do critically question to what extent it is necessary. It seems to us that unsulfured wines seem to be more open and better able to reveal their true character. Of course, this only pertains to meticulously produced wines that have undergone total fermentation. Stability and longevity are the marks of well-made wines - even without the addition of sulfur. Why turn to additives if they aren't needed.

In recent years, as we have pursued a new path in our efforts to produce authentic Heimatweine, we've frequently questioned our methods and measures and we've carefully monitored our wines.

The wines that are produced according to this philosophy are outfitted with a new label. Its logo highlights a small, but important, detail of the family's coat of arms: the initials of the estate's founder, Balthasar Ress. This fragment of the family's coat of arms has often been used during the estate's history. In fact, it hangs directly over the entrance to the estate manor in Hattenheim.

We consciously decided to produce our wines this way, and we've done so for several years. The next logical step was to include them in our regular portfolio. We're well aware that public discussion on the subject of orange and natural wines is intense and thoroughly controversial. We take a more relaxed view, free of any dogma. In the final analysis, we strongly feel that the only thing that ultimately counts is taste... particularly when it comes to the combination of wine and food. In this regard, these wines are virtually unbeatable.

To understand what's behind these wines and how they should be produced, we've summed up our philosophy in six points.

OUR PHILOSOPHY IN SIX POINTS

1. *Only healthy, physiologically ripe grapes are used.*
2. *Musts undergo natural clarification - absolutely no fining agents are used.*
3. *Fermentation is spontaneous - no cultured yeast is added.*
4. *The young wine is aged on the coarse lees for at least 12 months.*
5. *The wine is neither fined nor filtered.*
6. *No sulfur or only a minimal amount of sulfur.*
   max. 40 mg/liter total SO_2 is added

2012 »32«: 93 POINTS

»… Medium-bodied but powerful, very piquant and mineral on the complex palate, this Riesling is straight and bone dry, full of tension and grippy, stimulating phenols; this is probably beyond what you might expect from a classic Rheingau Riesling. This Rhein Landwein is more about structure and raciness than fruit, and surely a wine for Riesling freaks. Its aging potential seems to be excellent, …«

ROBERT PARKER – THE WINE ADVOCATE

»18«, »23«, »32«, »42«

The wines of this edition simply bear a number on the label. This number stands for the number of months the wine spent in cask aging on the lees. These extraordinary wines are polarizing: some find them off-putting; others, completely captivating. Naturally, the wines have nothing to do with what one would usually expect of a Riesling nor are they »typical« – they're different!

RHEINGAUER LANDWEIN

2014 75 cl	**»18« RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No. 16014
2015 75 cl	**»23« RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No. 16022
2014 75 cl	**»32« RIESLING TROCKEN**	Art. No. 16011
2012 75 cl	**»42« RIESLING TROCKEN** Wein-Plus: 94 Points	Art. No. 16015

RESSpekt

Grapes grown in the finest and steepest parcels of the Rüdesheimer Berg were very selectively harvested for this wine. A wine like this calls for top-quality grapes, as well as the courage to take a risk and have trust in nature. After lengthy skin contact, the must underwent spontaneous fermentation. The young wine was left on the coarse lees for a considerable amount of time. Filtration and fining were dispensed with or kept to an absolute minimum.

During the opening celebration of the wineBANK® Rheingau on 5 December 2009, when a well-known German sommelier tasted the predecessor of this wine in his private cellar, he was amazed and spontaneously cried out »respect.« Everyone on hand immediately knew that this superb cuvée was destined to be a winner. An idea was born for a strictly limited premium wine that is dry in style – a wine that would set a standard in its league.
It would be named RESSpekt!

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2014 75 cl	**RESSPEKT RIESLING TROCKEN** Parker: 93 Points	Art. No. 16001
2014 150 cl	**RESSPEKT RIESLING TROCKEN** Parker: 93 Points	Art. No. 16002
2014 1200 cl	**RESSPEKT RIESLING TROCKEN** Parker: 93 Points	Art. No. 16005

RESSpekt in 75- and 150-cl bottles are packed in wooden cases (1or 6 bottles per case).
This wine has a natural cork closure.

Space for notes

CAVIAR

Our »Caviar« is an exceptional wine in every respect. Perfectly ripened grapes and extremely low yields are the basis of this wine. The grapes are stemmed by hand. In other words, the stems of each individual berry are plucked by hand. Afterward, the grapes are lightly crushed by foot and the mash is fermented in open vats. It is virtually impossible to produce wine more gently. Next, »Caviar« is aged in special barrique casks produced by a small French cooperage on the Loire. Master sommelier Hendrik Thoma coined the phrase »Caviar.«
He saw the photo of the hand-stemmed grapes on Facebook and wrote: »Fantastic! It looks like caviar.«

RHEINGAU QUALITÄTSWEIN

2016 **»CAVIAR« PINOT NOIR TROCKEN** Art. No. 16003
75 cl available from 1st September 2018

With 95 points, the »Caviar« together with the Bienenberg GG »Wildenstein« by Huber are the best 2014 Pinot Noirs in all of Germany.

WEIN-PLUS BEST OF 2016 / 07 – DEUTSCHER SPÄTBURGUNDER (GERMAN PINOT NOIR)

ORANGE

This is a white wine that is fermented on the skins and produced like a red wine. This means that the grapes are stemmed and then completely fermented – with the skins. This is an ancient method of white winemaking inspired by vinicultural traditions and techniques long practiced in Armenia and Georgia. Before bottling, the wines are neither filtered nor fined, and little sulfur is added. For this reason, there is an occasional risk of cloudiness or precipitates in these wines. Yet, this is a completely natural process and in no way affects wine quality. Due to the orange tinge in their color, these wines are known today as »orange wines«.

RHEINGAUER LANDWEIN

2016 **»ORANGE« TROCKEN** Art. No. 16000
75 cl

Space for notes

MÉTHODE TRADITIO-NELLE

SPARKLING WINES

All Balthasar Ress sparkling wines are produced according to the traditional method (fermented in the bottle). We entrust our cuvées to the esteemed sparkling wine specialists Wein- und Sektgut Barth in Hattenheim, to produce our sparkling wines.

SPARKLING WINE

Carefully selected wines made from healthy grapes are used to produce Balthasar Ress Sekt [sparkling wine]. Every cuvée is from one grape variety. As such, each Sekt has a very individual character and guarantees a sparkling pleasure. In the traditional method, a so-called »dosage« is added to compensate for the fluid loss after disgorgement. It also lends the sparkling wine a distinctive note and determines the desired style (from brut to extra dry).

DEUTSCHER SEKT

75 cl	**RIESLING EXTRA DRY** Mosel Fine Wines «Sekt Highlights«: 90 Points	Art.-No. 17006
75 cl	**RIESLING BRUT** nikos-weinwelten.de: 3rd place	Art. No. 17005
75 cl	**PINOT NOIR ROSÉ BRUT**	Art. No. 17008
75 cl	**BLANC DE NOIR BRUT**	Art. No. 17007

»VON UNSERM« RHEINGAU SEKT

2015 75 cl	**RIESLING ZERO DOSAGE**	Art. No. 17004
2015 75 cl	**RIESLING BRUT**	Art. No. 17003

RÜDESHEIM BERG ROSENECK SEKT

2013 75 cl	**»PRESTIGE« RIESLING ZERO DOSAGE**	Art. No. 17013

MASTER-PIECES OF DESTIL-LATION

SPIRITS

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Consistently high standards of performance and reliability have been the hallmarks of the estate since Balthasar Ress founded it in 1870. Naturally, these high expectations, which are clearly reflected in the high quality of Balthasar Ress wines, also apply to the Balthasar Ress brandies and the materials from which they are made – the finest grapes and pomace. The estate depends exclusively on renowned, experienced distillers to produce its brandies. With skill, knowledge, and sensitivity they create the choice distillates of Balthasar Ress.

ALTER WEINBRAND (WINE BRANDY) V.S.O.P.

MATURED FOR 10 YEARS

A lustrous, dark amber-colored wine brandy. Wonderfully complex nose with powerful aromas, such as cedar, mocha, and caramel, rounded out with a hint of freshly ground Tasmanian pepper. Fruity accents of red gooseberry and white currants. Soft and warm in structure and body. A delicate note of fruit accompanies the long finish.

ALTER WEINBRAND V.S.O.P.

50 cl	**FROM PINOT NOIR**	Art. No. 18001

Bernsteinfarben. Facettenreicher Duft nach Pistazien, Mandeln, kandiertem Apfel, Rosinen und Vanille. Am Gaumen sanft, filigran, extrem cremig mit feiner Säure mit zarten Apfelnoten, Noisette und Nuss-Nougat-Aromen. Im Nachklang rauchig mild mit einem Hauch Vanille.

ALTER WEINBRAND V.S.O.P.

50 cl	**FROM RIESLING**	Art. No. 18004

ALTER WEINBRAND (WINE BRANDY) XO

MATURED FOR 20 YEARS

A dark amber-colored wine brandy. Compact, concentrated fragrance of ripe Boskop apple embedded in aromas of dark chocolate with a hint of rosemary, walnut, and fine vanilla. Extremely rich in flavor, reminiscent of ripe fruit (baked apple, orange). An elegant finish with an aftertaste of vanilla, tonka bean, and pickled hazelnut.

ALTER WEINBRAND XO

50 cl	**FROM RIESLING**	Art. No. 18005

TRESTERBRAND

(pomace brandy) from Pinot Noir

A golden yellow pomace brandy. Aromas of vanilla and orange peel with delicate nuances of herbs and glazed almonds. Powerful and masculine, crisp and nutty on the palate. A long finish underpinned by a subtle sweetness.

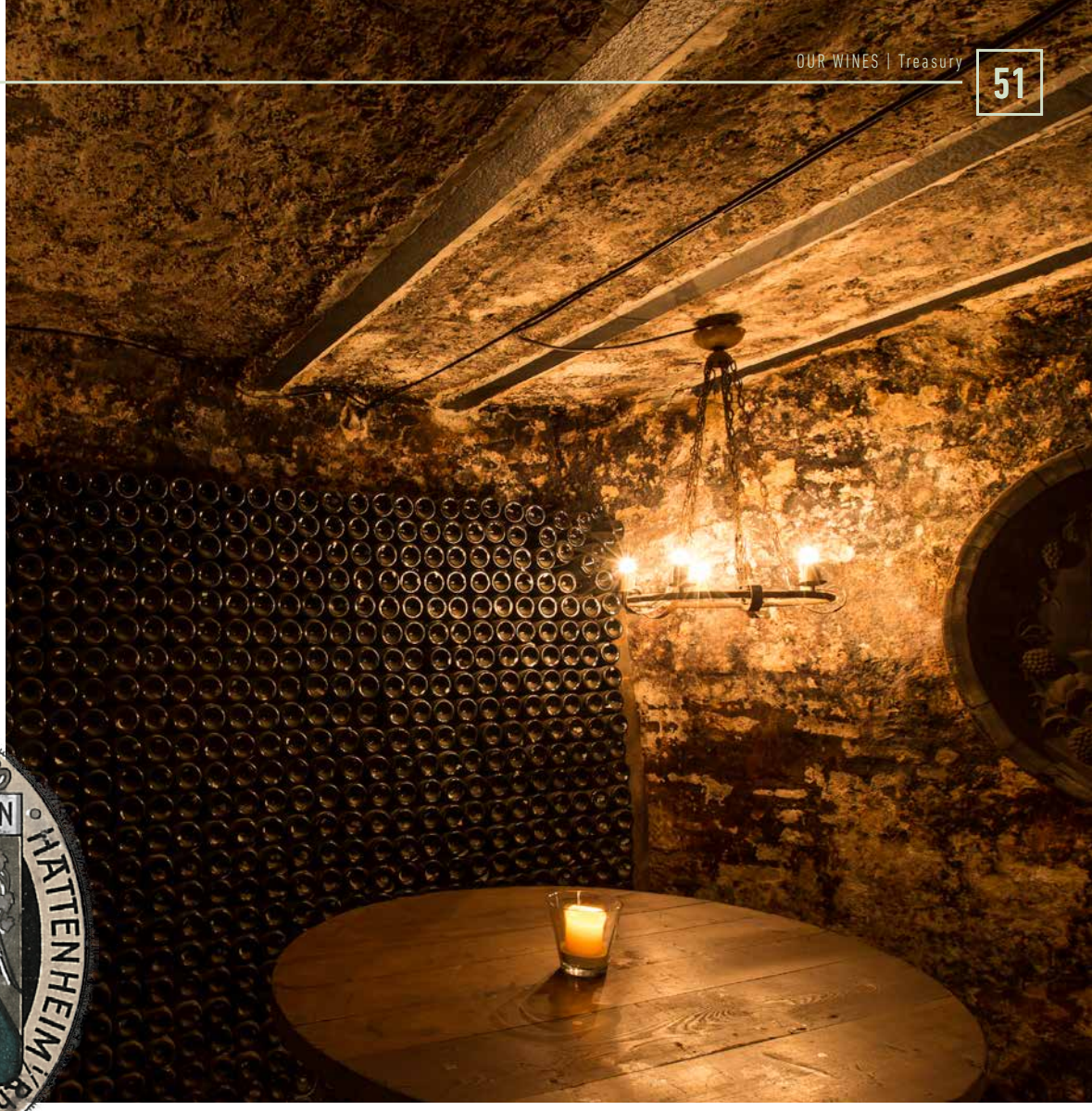
TRESTERBRAND

50 cl	**FROM PINOT NOIR**	Art. No. 18000

OLDIES BUT GOLDIES

TREASURY WINES

Those who drink wines with aging potential too soon often miss out on a wine's many fine aromas. Riesling wines, in particular, often need years to reach their optimal drinking age.



Balthasar Ress Treasury

RHEINGAU PRÄDIKATSWEIN

HOCHHEIMER KIRCHENSTÜCK

1985 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14226

OESTRICH DOOSBERG

1992 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14269
1989 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No. 14269

HATTENHEIM NUSSBRUNNEN

2007 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE**	Art. No.14139
2007 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No.14120

RÜDESHEIM BERG ROTTLAND

1997 37,5 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No.14317
1997 75 cl	**RIESLING AUSLESE**	Art. No.14319
2002 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE**	Art. No.14336
2003 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE**	Art. No.14336
2007 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE**	Art. No.14336

HATTENHEIMER WISSELBRUNNEN

1993 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE**	Art. No.14210

HATTENHEIMER ENGELMANNSBERG

1997 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE**	Art. No.14091
2003 75 cl	**RIESLING SPÄTLESE**	Art. No.14091

HATTENHEIMER SCHÜTZENHAUS

1998 75 cl	**RIESLING KABINETT**	Art. No.14178

TASTE & BUY

VINOTHEK HATTENHEIM
WINE SHOP

The wine shop that is opened seven days a week at the winery in the Rheingarten in Hattenheim, gives you the opportunity to taste almost all the wines of the estate without obligation - and of course to buy and collect them directly.
In the summer season we also offer wines by the glass that you can enjoy on our terrace at the wine shop.

Balthasar Ress Vinothek
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info@balthasar-ress.de

Opening hours:
April – October
Mon.–Fri. 08:00 a.m. to 18:00 p.m.
Sat.+Sun. 12:00 a.m. to 20:00 p.m.

November – March
Mo.–Fr. 08:00 a.m. to 18:00 p.m.
Sa.+So. 12:00 a.m. to 17:00 p.m.

WEINBAR & VINOTHEK WIESBADEN

WINE BAR AND WINE SHOP

Six days of the week, you can sample and purchase or order [at ex cellar prices] all the Ress wines and a few selected wines from friends' estates, as well as enjoy diverse little delicacies in our flag-ship store. Here, too, we feel the origin of the products – special cheeses and aged hams – is of great importance. They are all, without exception, handcrafted and high-quality products. Furthermore, you can expect theme evenings and tastings, high-class wine accessories, and distinctive wine- and brandy-based drinks.

»Certainly a Place to be«
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Outside regular opening hours, you can reserve the Weinbar & Vinothek exclusively for your personal event, or during regular opening hours, you can reserve part of the venue. Depending on the type of event, the Weinbar & Vinothek can accommodate up to 50 guests.

Balthasar Ress Weinbar & Vinothek
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weinbar@balthasar-ress.de

Opening hours:
Mon.–Thurs. 15:00 a.m. to 22:00 p.m.
Fr. 12:00 a.m. to 24:00 p.m.
Sa. 10:00 a.m. to 24:00 p.m.
Closed on Sundays and public holidays

you celebrate – we deliver

DELIVERY SERVICE OF THE WEINBAR & VINOTHEK

Chilled wines at winery prices
Delivery in the city of Wiesbaden 15,00 €
Glasses (6-pack or 25-pack) on loan for 0,50 €

We take your order 2 days in advance.
Glasses must be returned within 2 working days otherwise, you will be charged € 15.00 for the pickup.
In case of damage or loss we charge 5.00 € per glass.

WEINBAR & VINOTHEK FRANKFURT

WINE BAR AND WINE SHOP

It is one of the most exciting revitalization projects that Frankfurt has experienced in recent decades: the new historical city. The picturesque alleys, buildings and squares of the district were destroyed in World War II. Now they are brought back to life. Around the »Hühnermarkt« - between the cathedral and the city hall »Römer« - a lively mini district with prestigious apartments, shops and restaurants is in the making.

We are looking forward to open our Balthasar Ress Wine Bar & Wine Shop in the middle of this »new« old town. As in our Weinbar & Vinothek in Wiesbaden, we will also be serving high-quality ham, cheese and other delicacies with wine in Frankfurt. Mainhattan gets its own »wine hotspot«!

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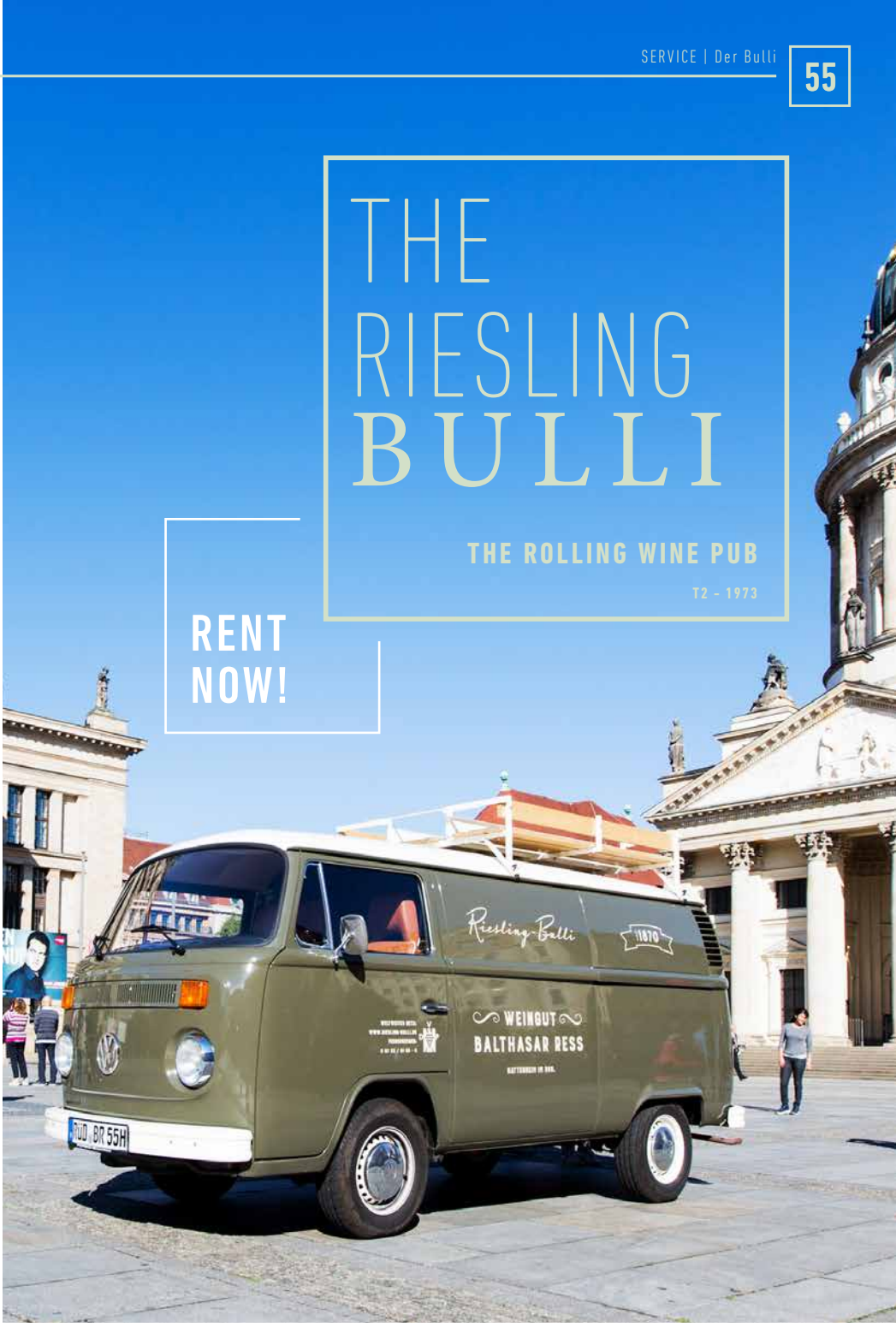

For company celebrations, garden parties, in-house fairs, weddings, etc.

- A wine pub painted in the car colour
- A water tank for an independent water supply (if needed)
- A generator for an independent power supply (if needed)
- Refrigeration
- A dishwasher for glasses
- A 600-watt sound system

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ONE CLUB.
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WINE!

We reassessed the true foundations of the wine estate Balthasar Ress, founded in 1870. On 5 December 2009, beneath the estate's traditional manor, the wineBANK® Rheingau opened – a wine cellar accessible 24/7 via chipcard, which is a perfect place to store and taste wine. Unique in Germany, it sparks enthusiasm among wine lovers and design aficionados alike.

Your member's card for the wineBANK® Rheingau by Balthasar Ress also gives you access to existing or upcoming wineBANK® locations:

Hamburg (since April 2015)
Frankfurt (since June 2016)
Wachenheim (since November 2016)
Mainz (as of spring 2017)
Vienna (since July 2016)
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Cologne (from summer 2018)

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FOR SUPPORTERS
FAN MERCHANDISE & GIFT BOX

GIFT BOXES

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD GIFT BOX WITH LOGO
1-Bottle (75cl)

GIFT BOX BLACK	Art. No. 30000
GIFT BOX NATURE	Art. No. 30004
OUTER CASE FOR MAILING	Art. No. 30012
POSTAGE & HANDLING	Art. No. 33000

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD GIFT BOX WITH LOGO
2-Bottle (75cl)

GIFT BOX BLACK	Art. No. 30001
GIFT BOX NATURE	Art. No. 30005
OUTER CASE FOR MAILING	Art. No. 30013
POSTAGE & HANDLING	Art. No. 33000

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD GIFT BOX WITH LOGO
3-Bottle (75cl)

GIFT BOX BLACK	Art. No. 30002
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CORRUGATED CARDBOARD GIFT BOX WITH LOGO
6-Bottle (75cl)

GIFT BOX BLACK	Art. No. 30003
GIFT BOX NATURE	Art. No. 30007
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WOODEN CASES

WOODEN CASE WITH BALTHASAR-RESS-LOGO AND WAX SEAL
1-wooden case and bottle (75 cl)

WOODEN CASE	Art. No. 30025
OUTER CASE FOR MAILING	Art. No. 30012
POSTAGE & HANDLING	Art. No. 33000

Available only for wines from VDP.ERSTER LAGE® as of vintage 2012 and for wines from VDP.GROSSE LAGE® as of 1999. For RESSpekt available at no extra cost.

WOODEN CASE WITH BALTHASAR-RESS-LOGO AND WAX SEAL
1-wooden case and bottle (150 cl magnum)

WOODEN CASE	Art. No. 30026
OUTER CASE FOR MAILING	Art. No. 30012
POSTAGE & HANDLING	Art. No. 33000

Available only for Rieslings in magnums.
For RESSpekt, available at no extra cost.

FAN MERCHANDISE

BALTHASAR RESS SOFTSHELL JACKET

LADIES – S, M, L, XL	Art. No. 33008
MEN – S, M, L, XL, XXL	Art. No. 33008

HISTORICAL BERRY BROS.-WINE PRICE LIST

60 X 43 CM	Art. No. 33007

ICE BAG

FOR ONE BOTTLE	Art. No. 31007

ORIGINAL »BR« CAP

ONE SIZE	Art. No. 31012

HONEY »SOMMERBLÜTE«

250 g	Art. No. 31013

PACKING UNITS

Our VDP.GUTSWEINE, VDP.ORTSWEINE, and VDP.ERSTE LAGE® wines are packed in 12-bottle cases or upon request, in 6-bottle cases. Depending on quantity and article, magnums are packed in 1 or 6-bottle cases. VDP.GROSSE LAGE® wines are packed in wooden cases [6 bottles per case]; shipments to the USA, Canada, Japan, and Singapore, however, in 12-bottle cases. Upon request, they can always be shipped in 6- or 12- bottle cases. Our spirits are packed as single bottles in a high-quality gift box. Depending on the quantity ordered, 6 gift boxes are packed in a case.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Not all wines of a new vintage are available immediately. Upon request, we'll be happy to provide details on an anticipated market release date.

SALES AND DELIVERY CONDITIONS

Prices are per bottle and ex cellar Hattenheim/Germany. We expect payment within 60 days. Title to the products will not pass to the buyer until payment for all claims resulting from the business relationship between the company and the buyer has been made.

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