



## VILLA HUESGEN

### Harvest Report 2023

## Selectively good!

### Early selective harvest brought best qualities

This year we had to harvest the grapes in a selective hand harvest from the very first day. Never before has our experienced team started so early, mid of September, with the varieties Pinot Noir, Pinot Blanc and Chardonnay. Never before has the harvest been finished so early. Due to the very high temperatures, the Riesling grapes ripened quickly. Targeted sorting reduced the yield, but at the same time healthy grapes with high qualities could be harvested. Structured Kabinett Rieslings from the Trabener Würzgarten, a Spätlese fruit-sweet from the Enkircher Steffensberg and once again a noble sweet Auslese from the Zeppwingert are among the pleasing results. With the 2023 vintage, we are also producing for the first time an Ürziger Würzgarten Riesling Kabinett dry and an Ürziger Würzgarten Riesling Auslese as well as a Chardonnay from the Trabener Würzgarten.

#### Harvest schedule

- 16 September: Start of the harvest with Pinot Noir in Enkircher Steffensberg
- 20 September: Chardonnay for the first time in the Trabener Würzgarten
- 22 September: Pinot Blanc at the Trabener Kräuterhaus
- 11 October: Start of Riesling harvest in the Traben Würzgarten
- 14 October: End of harvest with Alte Reben (Old Vines) Riesling ungrafted in the Enkircher Steffensberg



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### Weather conditions 2023

- A warmer than average winter was followed by a spring with moderate rainfall, followed by a warm and dry May and June. At the end of July and August, precipitation and moderate temperatures provided relief, soils and vines were again sufficiently supplied with water. The warmer-than-average September, the warmest on record, allowed the grapes to ripen very quickly.
- Together with the special weather conditions, the soil structure and age of the vines had a particular influence on the outcome of the harvest this year.

### Harvest quantities and yields

- Harvest volume: 23,000 litres (vs. 26,000 litres last year)
- Total Mosel harvest volume approx. 710,000 hl (vs. 780,000 hl last year)
- Average yield: 3,550 l/ha (vs. 4,132 l/ha previous year)

### Qualities

- dry and semi dry Kabinett
- Spätlese
- Auslese

### Availability Vintage 2023

- Pinot Blanc from February 2024
- Rosé Pinot Noir from February 2024
- Pinot Noir 2025
- ByTheGlass Riesling dry from February 2024
- Blauschiefer Riesling dry from March 2024
- Enkircher Steffensberg Riesling Kabinett approx. from May 2024
- Alte Reben Riesling expected from September 2024

### New products

- 2018 Mademoiselle Vintage Sparkling Wine Méthode traditionnelle from Nov 2023
- 2023 Chardonnay Trabener Kräuterhaus from February 2024
- 2023 Ürziger Würzgarten Riesling Kabinett dry from May 2024
- 2023 Ürziger Würzgarten Riesling Auslese from May 2024