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VINTAGE REPORT 2023

Another wine year is over, and the next one is already in the starting blocks. Nature on the Grüneberg never stands still and no two years are the same. That's why our biggest task is to adapt to the vegetation and accompany the Grüneberg through the year and work in rhythm with its nature.

The team has been hard at work in the vineyard for weeks now. Pruning and tying have been completed and new plantings of young vines in the Bruderberg are being pushed forward. The young vines planted last year in the Abtsberg are being supplied with compost and an old Pinot Blanc plot in the Herrenberg is being grafted onto Pinot Noir. At the same time, we are bottling the first wines of the vintage and finalising the last barrels in the cellar. We are looking forward to offering the fresh Rieslings and Pinot Blancs soon and are eagerly awaiting the presentation of the first Pinot Noir GG of the Mosel (2022 vintage) from the Abtsberg this year.

The 2023 wine year started with a pleasing amount of rain until May. A rather cool spring delayed budbreak slightly before growth could fully take off. This was followed by a short, dry but very warm period in June and July with steady, strong growth of the vines. As the first winery in the Mosel valley, we were able to gently cultivate the Abtsberg and Bruderberg with our own spray drone in the early windless morning hours.

The late summer was initially pleasantly rainy until we were put on alert by the warm temperatures and persistent rain. To counteract the threat of rot, we started on September 6th with a meticulous selection of the Pinot Noirs and Pinot Blancs and were able to select a very good result over several harvest days and harvest rounds. However, the yield remained correspondingly low.

The Riesling managed better with the wet weather conditions in summer. After harvesting our sparkling basis wines, we were able to harvest excellent Gutswein and Kabinett qualities. A golden autumn with warm nights caused the grapes to ripen quickly and brought us delicately fruity Spätlese and Auslese wines as well as full-bodied but always elegant 1G and GG qualities. The challenging harvest with a lot of selection work ended for our harvest team on October 13th, 2023.

The young wines are currently fruity and juicy with a fine acidity structure and delicate minerality. The Erste Lage and Grosse Gewächse wines are also already showing enormous tension, Grünhaus flavour and unique site characteristics.