



Brauneberg Slate Soil



Winemaker Oliver Haag

FRITZ HAAG 2017 Brauneberger Riesling Kabinett



THE FRITZ HAAG ESTATE

The Fritz Haag estate is a family enterprise that farms 17 hectares (42 acres) of vineyards in the heart of the Mosel Valley. They produce only Riesling, covering the full style spectrum, from dry to lusciously sweet. A mineral “slate” character and a pronounced, fruity acidity give the wines their elegant sophistication and their great aging potential. The estate’s graceful, well-defined Rieslings are universally lauded as examples of the finest wines the Mosel region has to offer.

THE MOSEL REGION

The Mosel River flows from France into western Germany near the city of Trier, and winds its way northeast to its confluence with the Rhine. This region is known for its delicate, mineral-inflected wines from slate soils. The Fritz Haag estate is in the Middle Mosel village of Brauneberg, a few kilometers upstream from Berncastel. The Brauneberg (“brown hill”) vineyards are located on the steep, south-facing hillside on the opposite side of the river.

FRITZ HAAG BRAUNEBERGER RIESLING KABINETT

The terrifyingly steep Brauneberg hillside has been revered as a top vineyard site since Roman times (it was the Romans who first cultivated wine grapes in the Mosel valley). For centuries, Brauneberg wines were the most celebrated of all Mosel Rieslings. The Brauneberger Kabinett is a selection of early-picked fruit from both the Juffer and Juffer Sonnenuhr vineyards, and has a very fine, delicate structure and pure, energizing fruitiness that exemplifies the Fritz Haag style.

TECHNICAL INFO

Grape Variety: 100% Riesling

Vineyard Sources: Brauneberger Juffer and Juffer Sonnenuhr

Must Weight: 84 Oechsle (20.25 Brix)

Alcohol: 8.5%

Total Acidity: 9.1 grams/liter

Residual Sweetness: 45.2 grams/liter

Total Production: 950 cases

UPC: 810404020029

FROM THE PRESS

[92] *Stuart Pigott (JamesSuckling.com)*

“Brimming with blossoms, lemon zest and white peaches, this is an extremely appealing juicy Kabinett. A very clean finish. With a little more drive, this would have been rated even higher. Drink or hold.” *June 2018*