



Brauneberg Slate Soil



Winemaker Oliver Haag

## FRITZ HAAG 2017 Brauneberger Riesling Trocken “J”



### 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 TROCKEN “J”

This dry wine is a cuvée that is 75% from the Juffer vineyard and 25% from the Sonnenuhr, which is the steepest part of the hillside slope. In most vintages, a brief maceration is used to help soften the brisk acidity before fermentation in stainless steel. It is lively and focused, with pure, clear fruit aromas and rich citrus power on the palate.

### TECHNICAL INFO

**Grape Variety:** 100% Riesling

**Vineyard Sources:** Brauneberger Juffer and Juffer Sonnenuhr

**Must Weight:** 89 Oechsle (21.3 Brix)

**Alcohol:** 12.0%

**Total Acidity:** 7.8 grams/liter

**Residual Sweetness:** 7.2 grams/liter

**Total Production:** 1,200 cases

**UPC:** 810404020005

### FROM THE PRESS

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

“A very distinctive dried-pear and herbal nose. It shows a great balance of restrained power and cool elegance on the palate. A long herb and mineral finish. This wine will do all the things you’d expect of a top Chablis! Drink or hold.” *June 2018*