



The rolling hills of Rheinhessen



Winemaker Philipp Wittmann

## WITTMANN 2017 “100 Hills” Riesling Dry



### WEINGUT WITTMANN

The Wittmann estate has as its foundation the pursuit of balanced wines that have tension, depth and intensity, but are at the same time fresh and elegant. Owner Philipp Wittmann has no doubt that this complex character can only be created in the vineyard, so attention to detail in the viticulture is of primary importance. Philipp looks for natural balance in the vineyards, in order to slow the ripening process and harvest grapes that have fully developed flavors, but are not overripe and still have moderate must weights. All of the Wittmann estate vineyards are certified Organic and Biodynamic.

### THE RHEINHESSEN REGION

The Rheinhessen is a vast area of rolling hills in the bended knee of the Rhine river, between the Pfalz and the Rheingau. Wine grapes have been cultivated here since Roman times. Many different grape varieties are grown here, with Riesling recently reclaiming its rightful position as the leading variety. The soils are primarily based on limestone, with a mix of topsoils, including clay, marl and loess.

### 100 HILLS RIESLING

The entry-level “100 Hills” wines are produced with about 40% estate-harvested fruit, primarily from sites that are not as dominated by limestone as the estate’s best vineyards. The remainder of the fruit is sourced from other local growers, all of whom are members of Naturland, a German certification organization for Organic agriculture.

The 100 Hills wines are harvested by hand, fermented naturally and matured in 50% stainless steel tanks and 50% large, neutral wooden casks. This combination retains the lively, bright fruit while bringing an extra dimension of texture from maturation in wood.

### TECHNICAL INFO

**Grape Variety:** 100% Riesling

**Alcohol:** 12.0%

**Total Acidity:** 8.3 grams/liter

**Residual Sweetness:** 73 grams/liter

**UPC:** 810404020265



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“A charming and rather juicy dry riesling with plenty of pears and citrus fruit. Crisp finish. From organically grown grapes. Drink now.” *September 2018*