

CARL EHRHARD

Rheingau, Germany

Carl Ehrhard and his family tend 22 acres of Riesling and Pinot Noir spread throughout six prime vineyards around the town of Rüdesheim in the Rheingau region of Germany.

The estate was founded by the Ehrhard family in 1815 and taken over in 1998 by Carl and his wife, Petra.

The Ehrhards strive to make wines endowed with personality that express the unique character of their vineyards.

The six vineyards – Berg Rottland, Berg Roseneck, Bischofsberg, Kirchenpfad, Klosterberg and Klosterlay are situated on the steep banks of the Rhein River and are maintained without the use of fertilizers or herbicides.

In the winery, the Ehrhards embrace traditional methods and preserve fruit purity through minimal intervention.

Fermentation takes place naturally without the addition of yeasts.

It is a long and slow transformation – up to 5 months in some cases – and takes place in a mix of large neutral oak casks and stainless steel tanks.

These precise, powerful wines are lively and fresh in their youth and develop great depth and character while maintaining clarity as they age.

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