

Weingut Reichsgraf von Kesselstatt



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## Our wine region

MOSEL - SAAR - RUWER



# 2,000 years of winegrowing

- Viticulture dating back to the Romans
- Mosel home to some of the world's best wines 100 years ago
- 21st-century renaissance



Unique, steep vineyards

- **\*** Three distinct climates
- Steep slate vineyards in the Mosel, Saar and Ruwer valleys
- Light to moderately fertile slate soils



**Grape varieties** 

- ❖ 91% white, 9% red
- 60% Riesling, 14% Rivaner,6% Elbling, 4% Kerner,4% Pinot Noir, 12% other

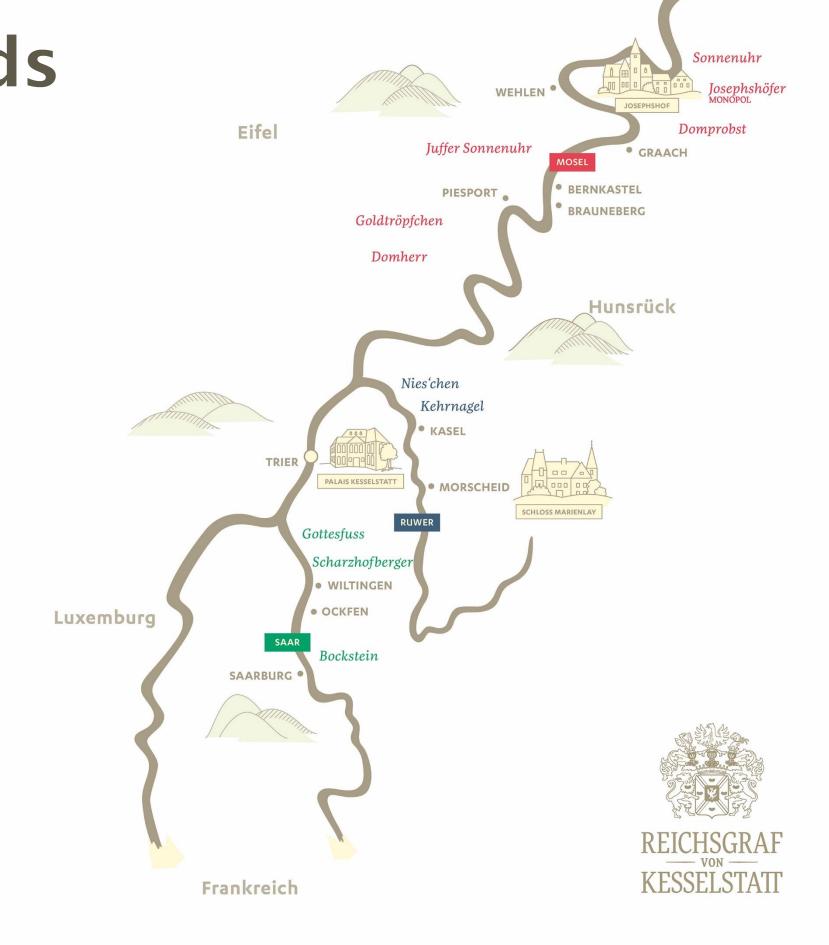


One region, three valleys

- Mosel warmest climate
- Saar the Mosel's largest tributary; cooler climate
- Ruwer smallest subdistrict; coolest climate

## Our vineyards









## A brief history of our wine estate

#### 1349

The first records of the Kesselstatt knightly dynasty in the Electorate of Trier date back to the 14th century. The purchase of 'Wingerte' (vineyards) by the Kesselstatt family is documented in 1349.

### 1776

Emperor Joseph II elevates the imperial barons of Kesselstatt to the status of imperial counts, with the aim of planting 'better vines' henceforth.

### 1854-1889

**Purchase of four monasteries** 

- Josephshof (Graach)
- Domklausenhof (Piesport)
- Abteihof (Oberemmel)
- St. Irminenhof (Kasel)

### 1978-2016

The Reh family buys
Weingut Reichsgraf von
Kesselstatt.

Annegret Reh-Gartner guides the fortunes of our estate.

Continual improvements culminate in the estate being admitted into the VDP in 2005.

### 2020

Karsten Weyand becomes the estate's managing director.



## **Facts**



- ❖ Vineyard area: currently 50 hectares, with more than 36 hectares situated in 15 different VDP.GROSSE LAGEN®
- **Estate owned by the Reh family**
- Managing director: Karsten Weyand
- Member of the VDP
- Average annual production: around 300,000 bottles
- Grape varieties: Riesling, Pinot Blanc, and Pinot Noir (planted in 2022)
- ❖ Geographic footprint: (central) Mosel, Saar, and Ruwer
- \* 13 different VDP.GROSSE LAGEN®, including Josephshöfer (our *monopole* site), Kaseler Nies'chen, Scharzhofberger, and Piesporter Goldtröpfchen
- Natural farming methods
- Handcrafted wines

## **Ethos**



## We tend our steep vineyards by hand

- Vines hard-pruned to one or two canes every winter
- Green harvest in summer
- Meticulous grape selection at harvest
- Organic soil cultivation and soil treatments

### Our winemaking is thoughtful and careful

- Our fruit has to have good physiological ripeness
- Maceration (skin contact) to enhance expression and character
- Mainly spontaneous fermentation in stainless steel or oak
- Long lees ageing

### The result

- **❖** Authentic, terroir-driven wines
- Vibrant, fruity, mineral-inflected Rieslings with stimulating acidity
- Creamy, harmonious Pinots
- \* A strong sense of vineyard origin
- **❖** Vegan wines since the 2020 vintage

# Inside the winery



# Team administration





## Inside the winery



**Dr. Karsten Weyand**Managing Director;
joined the winery in 2020



Philip Stassen
Head of Sales Germany;
joined the winery in 2020



Lukas Bollig Cellar master; joined the winery in 2021



Michaela Bollig Head of Export joined the winery in 1986



# VDP classification model \*(VDP Mosel)

### **VDP.GUTSWEIN**

Good, honest entry-level wines with a distinct and authentic character

### **VDP.ORTSWEIN**

- Village-level wines the culmination of meticulous viticulture in our iconic vineyards combined with handcrafted winemaking in the cellars of Schlossgut Marienlay
- Classical, characterful Rieslings born of a variety of slate soils



### **VDP.GROSSE LAGE®**

- The pinnacle of our production, grown in our highest-quality single vineyards
- Raised in both stainless steel and oak
- These fine wines receive a longer élevage

## The different stages of Riesling





