

Friedrich Becker, Pfalz



Winemaker of the Month August 2008.

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Since 2001 Friedrich Becker has always been rated as “Best German Red Wine maker” by “Gault Millau” the leading annual German Wine Guide.

The estate is located in the commune of Schweigen (Südliche Weinstrasse district) in the Pfalz wine-growing region in Germany. Parts of the vineyards are located across the border in Alsace. Main varieties planted here are Pinot Noir (4,9 ha), Riesling (3 ha) and Pinot Blanc (1,8 ha). The vines are heavily pruned to significantly restrict the yield. The wines are made and matured either in stainless steel tanks or in oak barrels, depending on the variety and site. The red wines are fermented on the skins in open vats. Particularly suitable, full-bodied white and red wines are matured in barriques. The estate is a member of the VDP (Verband deutscher Prädikats- und Qualitäts-Weingüter).

About the winery: Vineyard size: 14 ha
Annual production: 90,000 bottles
Top sites: Sonnenberg, Kammerberg, St. Paul
Soil types: Lime marl, loess, clay

Wines:

RIESLING “Schweigener” 2006, dry <i>racy, agile, fruity with a harmonic acidity</i> (071) 83 points Gault Millau	regular \$37.00 now just \$35.15
RIESLING “Laisser Faire” 2006, fine-tart <i>enjoyable fresh, fruity, racy, juicy</i> (070) 86 points Gault Millau	regular \$55.00 now just \$52.25
GEWUERZTRAMINER Late Harvest 2006, sweet <i>Nose of yellow apple and caramel; gentle acidity; long lasting</i> (493) 0.375 l 89 points Gault Millau	regular \$44.00 now just \$41.80
WEISSER BURGUNDER (PINOT BLANC) Late Harvest 2005, dry <i>well concentrated, ripe clear fruit, full bodied</i> (275) 90 points Gault Millau	regular \$55.00 now just \$52.25
SPAETBURGUNDER (PINOT NOIR) ROSE 2006, dry <i>clear, fruity, harmonious</i> (688)	regular \$58.00 now just \$55.10
SPAETBURGUNDER (PINOT NOIR), Estate Wine 2006, dry <i>Aromas of cherry, vanilla and wood</i> (704)	regular \$ 55.00 now just \$52.25
SPAETBURGUNDER (PINOT NOIR) “B” 2006, dry <i>rich in content, 12 months in old barrique</i> (659) 86 point GM	regular \$ 70.00 now just \$66.50
PINOT NOIR “KAMMERBERG” 2005, PREMIER CRU, dry <i>ripe fruit, vanilla, smooth, full bodied, harmonic</i> (660) 92 points Gault Millau	regular \$ 180.00 now just \$171.00
PINOT NOIR “SANKT PAUL” 2005, PREMIER CRU, dry <i>clear, concentrated, ripe fruit, full bodied, good structure</i> (661) 93 points Gault Millau	regular \$220.00 now just \$209.00