



TRADITIONALLY CRAFTED WINES FROM THE PFALZ REGION OF GERMANY

FOUNDED IN 1756, the J.L. Wolf estate (now called Villa Wolf) was a successful and highly regarded winery for more than two centuries. It entered an especially glamorous era with the construction of its Italianate estate house and villa in 1843. In the latter years of the 20th century, however, the estate languished, lacking a firm hand to guide its wine production. Ernst Loosen, of Dr. Loosen, took over the vineyards in 1996, launching a dramatic turnaround in the estate's quality and reputation. Erni's goal at Villa Wolf is to produce wines that express the authentic terroir of the region.

- A historic Rhine valley winery that was acquired by Ernst Loosen in 1996.
- Entry line of exceptional values from classic Pfalz varieties are frequently named "Best Buys" in major publications.
- Organically grown, single-vineyard estate wines are released late to allow adequate bottle maturation.

OVERVIEW OF VILLA WOLF

YEAR FOUNDED: 1756

OWNER: Ernst Loosen

WINEMAKER & VINEYARD MANAGER: Patrick Möllendorf

LOCATION: Wachenheim, Pfalz, Germany

VINEYARD AREA: 4 hectares (10 acres) of estate vineyards

AGE OF VINES: Up to 40 years; 25 years average

SOIL TYPES: Weathered sandstone, limestone, basalt

VITICULTURE: Organic (certification in progress)

GRAPE VARIETIES: Riesling, Pinot Blanc, Pinot Gris, Pinot Noir,
Sauvignon Blanc, Dornfelder

AVERAGE YIELD: 60 hl/ha (approx. 2.75 tons per acre)

ANNUAL PRODUCTION: 35,000 cases (including purchased fruit)

"BEST BUY" 2021 (WINE ENTHUSIAST)

"EDITORS' CHOICE" 2020 (WINE ENTHUSIAST)

"BEST BUY" 2020 (WINE & SPIRITS)

THE QUALITY CONCEPT AT VILLA WOLF



THE GOAL AT VILLA WOLF is to produce wines that express the pure, authentic style of the region. Made in the classic style of the Pfalz, Villa Wolf Rieslings are drier and more full-bodied than Mosel Rieslings, with fully ripe fruit flavors and a characteristic stoniness in the aroma. To preserve the naturally high quality of the vineyards, we employ sustainable viticultural practices and emphasize gentle handling of the fruit through traditional, minimalist winemaking.

The estate is managed by Patrick Möllendorf, who had previously worked in the cellar at Dr. Loosen. Patrick's winemaking philosophy is based on the belief that great wines must start in the vineyard. He and his team work closely with nature, using sustainable practices to nurture biodiversity in the vineyards, providing a healthy and diverse microbiology in the soil. This is important for wines to express the character of the grape and the soil in which it is grown. Organic certification for the estate vineyards was achieved in 2021.

Their nurturing, sustainable approach is also carried into the cellar, with a focus on gentle handling of the wine throughout the entire process. This approach retains the clean, fresh fruit that represents the Villa Wolf style. The team is committed to traditional vinification methods, such as fermentation and aging in large, neutral oak casks, and spontaneous fermentation with natural yeasts.

With sustainable viticulture, minimal processing and their constant pursuit of improvement, Patrick strives to capture the purity and special characteristics of the region, vineyard and grape variety in each of their wines.

VINEYARDS AND WINES OF VILLA WOLF



ESTATE VINEYARDS

VINEYARD NAME	SOIL TYPE	WINES PRODUCED
FORSTER PECHSTEIN	Sandy loam, basalt stones	Riesling Trocken
WACHENHEIMER BELZ	Sandy loam, limestone	Riesling Trocken
WACHENHEIMER KÖNIGSWINGERT	Sandy loam	Wachenheimer Riesling

RANGE OF WINES

VARIETAL WINES (contracted fruit)

- Gewürztraminer
- Pinot Blanc
- Pinot Gris
- Riesling (off-dry)
- Riesling Dry
- Sauvignon Blanc
- Pinot Noir Rosé
- Pinot Noir Rosé Sparkling
- Pinot Noir
- Dornfelder

VILLAGE WINE (estate-grown)

- Wachenheimer Riesling

SINGLE-VINEYARD WINES (estate-grown)

- Wachenheimer Belz Riesling Trocken
- Forster Pechstein Riesling Trocken

