

About us

In 1844 Weingut Zähringer was established by Wilhelm and Josef Zähringer in the traditional maltese town Heitersheim (Baden/Markgräflerland) on the fringes of the Black Forest. Since then the love for viniculture has been passed on within the family and developed from generation to generation. These days the winery is led in sixth generation by Fabian Zähringer. The vines grow under the great conditions and the long sunshine hours of the Upper Rhine Valley (Oberrheintal) next to the French and the Swiss border. They are planted on fertile loamy soil in the location Maltestergarten and on the deep loess soil of the exclusive location Heitersheimer Sonnhohle.

Since 1987 the vineyards have been cultivated according to the principles of organic viniculture, strictly controlled by the federal association ECOVIN. Since 2010 we have also been working in accordance with the bio-dynamic guidelines, so our wines are now also Demeter-certified. Viticulture according to ECOVIN and Demeter standards is a holistic cultivation system. We work in harmony with nature – for the benefit of the vines, vineyards and individual and tasteful wines. Furthermore, biological soil cultivation – intensive greening between vine lines, organic fertilization with compost, etc. – is the foundation for the production of the highest grape quality and top-class wines. Valuable wines with an individual and authentic character grow hand in hand with nature.

Apart from the grapes we grow on our self-cultivated vineyard area (9,75 ha) we buy grapes from vintners in our region, which we process in our winery. We work very closely with all our vintners, who are cultivating 40 ha of vines in total and are also working according to ECOVIN- and Demeter standards.

The traditional Vierlig-barrels which were widespread in the Markgräflerland in the past, give our Vierlig-wines their unique taste. The label Vierlig deduces from the capacity of four "Baden Ohm", containing 600 liter in total. Our premium wines age in barrique barrels (Selektion Zähringer "SZ"), whereas the elegant Gut-wines develop their typical cultivar character best in steel tanks.

Nature lives in wine more than in any other drink. We would like to invite you to participate in the pleasurable experience of our wines. You can experience the high art of enjoying in conformity with the nature.







History

- 1844: Foundation by Wilhelm & Josef Zähringer (family business for more than 165 years, currently in sixth generation by now)
- 1939-45: During World War II, the business was led by Blanka Zähringer.
- 1945: Reconstruction and expansion by Hubert Zähringer after World War II
- 1987: Adjustment to organic viniculture and focus on barrique and Vierlig fermentation of the wines under Wolfgang Zähringer and Paulin Köpfer
- 2005: Beginning of bio-dynamic viniculture
- 2010: Opening of Weinhaus Zähringer in Zurich, Switzerland
- 2013: 1st Place Prize Organic Farming

Vineyard area and Types

- Vineyard area: self-cultivated area 14,75 ha, producer community 40 ha
- Locations: Heitersheimer Sonnhohle, Castellberg, Maltesergarten (Markgräflerland, Baden, South-western Germany, between Basel and Freiburg, close to the French and Swiss border)
- Cultivated grape types: Pinot Noir (ca. 35 %), Gutedel (ca. 20 %), Pinot Gris (ca. 12 %), Müller-Thurgau (ca. 10 %), Pinot Blanc (ca. 7 %), Chardonnay (ca. 7 %), Sauvignon Blanc (ca. 3%), fungus-resistant types: Regent, Johanniter, div. Cabernets (ca. 3%), Other (ca. 3%).

The wines

White wines: elegant, fruity, light and delicate wines mostly dry (95%)

Red wines: traditional skin fermented, balanced red wines

Quantities: ca. 60.000 bottles from own winery & 350.000 bottles from the producer group Specialties:

- Organic wines: ECOVIN and Demeter certified
- Vierlig wines: matured in Vierlig barrel, extra dry wines (600 liter oak barrel)
- Winzer-sparkling wine

Administration/Disposal:

Auslesen aged in barrique barrels, Beerenauslesen, Eiswein

Team

Management: Fabian Zähringer Operating manager: Paulin Köpfer

In charge of vineyards: Max Greiner, Patricio Aguiar, Heinz Hunzinger, Dorin Mutenas

Cellar-Team/Production: Burkhard Schopferer, Markus Bechtold, Daniel Möllinger, Boki Arsic,

André Schöneberger, Claudia Dold-Cammerer, Edi Bolanz, Marvin Hug Corinne Weishaar, Elke Bitzenhofer, Daniela Fünfgeld, Christine Klein

Distribution: Fabian Zähringer, Paulin Köpfer, Marlis Zähringer, Johanna Heinkele,

Gabi Weigele

Contact

Business hours: Mo. - Fr. 9.00 - 12.00 and 14.00 - 18.00 / Sa. 10.00 - 13.00 or by arrangement

How to find us: We are located in the outer shouth-western Germany between Freiburg and Basel (CH) Heitersheim is around 5 km away from the Autobahn A5 exit Hartheim/Heitersheim. In Heitersheim, turn in the direction of the Black Forest (Sulzburg). You'll find us close to the main street opposite of the Catholic Church.

Wine tastings: for groups starting from 6 persons after announcement. We're looking forward to your visit!

Other

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