

# Claus Schneider 2022 Spätburgunder Loerrach

WineWise Code	GCS-SBL22
Country	Germany
Region	Baden - Markgräflerland
Color/Style	Red
Destemming	Complete
Fermentation Vessel	Stainless steel, Barrel
Additional Fermentation Notes	Very gentle extraction for around 18 days, in the beginning remortgage everyday and at the end of fermentation 2-3 pigeage.
Aging Vessel	Used Barrique, Stainless Steel
Aging Duration (months)	18 months
Filtered?	No
Fining Agents	None
Yeast Protocol	Pied de Cuve
Malolactic Conversion	Yes
Added Sulfur	Yes, 36 mg/L
Varieties	100% Pinot Noir
Residual Sugar	0.5
ABV	13.5
Acidity	5
pH	3.65
Closure	Natural cork
Annual Production	1700 bottles
Certified Vegan	No
Other Wine Facts	Rather new vineyard for us. In 2019 we had the chance to rent some plots on the other side of the Tüllinger hill. This vineyard belongs to the city of Lörrach. More influenced by the Black Forest and cooler site than Weil am Rhein.
Primary Vineyard Name	Lörrach is the name of the city where this vineyard belongs to.
Soil Types	Calcareous, Loess
Elevation (meters)	290
Vine Age	25
Yields (hl/ha)	50
Farming Practices	Practicing organic, practicing biodynamic
Harvest Method	Hand-harvested
Other Vineyard Details	Southeast facing, cooler vineyard. German Pinot Noir clones

## WineWise Notes on Producer:

There is nothing more gratifying in our line of work then finding good people making exceptional wine. The Schneider family are as genial and gracious a bunch of people as you could hope to meet and they make wines that are simply revelatory in their quality. Son Johannes, an old soul despite his tender years, has essentially taken over direction of the estate from his father Claus, and younger brother Christoph is fully involved, too. Most of their holdings are in the clay-and-limestone escarpment named Weiler Schlipf, butted right up against the Swiss border. The hallmarks of Schneider wines are purity and relaxation. The estate was recently hailed by the influential Gault-Millau magazine as being the single best value estate in all of Germany! In 2020, they started their formal conversion to organic certification, which will be accorded to them in 2022. The brothers have also developed a line of Natural Wines under the Haus Gupi label.

## WineWise Notes:

Bairrada is a region rich in small holdings of old vines planted on limestone soils. In 2019, Schneider rented a new vineyard named after the neighboring town of Lörrach, on the leeward side of the Tüllinger hill. A worthy successor to the silky vom Kalkstein, Lörrach offers a wonderful lesson in the paradoxical mysteries of growing Pinot Noir. The feature of being Schneider's coolest site on the foothills of the Black Forest is precisely what gives Johannes unhurried focus to nail the harvest date of his last vineyard to ripen. Far from being anemic, the reward is a hauntingly perfumed Pinot Noir, confident in its inviting silkiness and sylvan appeal.

