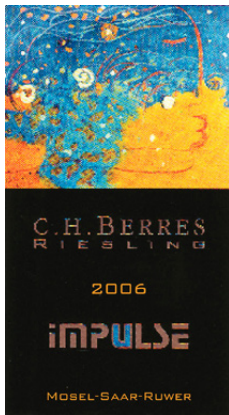




OUTSTANDING MOSEL RIESLING

C. H. BERRES

MOSEL - SAAR - RUWER



Historical records reveal the Berres family has lived and worked in Ürzig's vineyards since 1510. In fact, young Markus Berres is the 21st generation of his family to lead this prestigious Mittel Mosel estate and is effecting one of the most significant renaissances in recent German wine history.

After Napoleon secularized the Mosel, Peter Nicolay established one of the first great private wine estates in Ürzig, encompassing some of the finest sites in Ürzig, Erden, Wehlen, Graach and Zeltingen. Two centuries of marriage and inheritance evolved the firm name to "C. H. (Carl Hubert) Berres" but the family marketed the estate's great Rieslings under the Peter Nicolay brand until the estate was divided through inheritance in 1986. Carl Hubert's grandson Alfred (father of Markus) retained nearly 10 acres of old, ungrafted Riesling vines in the best sites, including Erden's Treppchen as well as Ürzig's famous Würzgarten and the legendary, minuscule Goldwingert. While fine wines continued to be made in the original Berres/Nicolay

cellars, sales were limited to local trade, resulting in a significant accumulation of mature bottlings C. H. now occasionally offers to the retail and restaurant trades.

Ürzig and Erden are famous for their red slate soils and singular rock outcroppings that retain heat and concentrate Riesling's herbal/spicy characteristics. These are the only villages in the Mosel allowed to replant without grafting, as phylloxera has never been able to penetrate the natural rock barriers in the soil.

Following graduation from the Geisenheim Institute and experience in the New Zealand wine industry, Markus Berres looks enthusiastically to the future, introducing thoroughly modern and intense Rieslings bottled exclusively with Stelvin closures. As a remarkably affordable introduction to the fine Riesling produced from these unique soils, Markus has created "Impulse" blended from top estate sites, symbolizing the renewed energy and optimism at this proud estate.



IMPULSE RIESLING Mosel

Clean, well-crafted Mosel Riesling from mature estate vineyards in Erden, Wehlen and Kinheim (including ungrafted vines). Intense tropical fruit aromas and textural richness surrounding a core of bracing, mineral structure. "Impulse" describes the injection of energy Berres Estate has enjoyed from a new winemaking generation that respects tradition but embraces the present.

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