# HB Wine Merchants presents wines from: Lucashof



**GERMANY** 

# **Pinot Noir**



Pfalz

#### **Brand Highlights**

- Family-owned estate, run by two winemakers (husband and wife) and their children
- Certified organically grown grapes
- Made with 100% Pinot Noir grapes, grown in two vineyard sites: Wachenheimer Altenburg & Deidesheimer Herrgottsacker

#### The Estate

Owned by Christine Lucas, sister to Nik Weis, this estate produces outstanding Riesling from important vineyard sites in the Pfalz. This estate was established over fifty years ago and has a much warmer climate than the Mosel with different soil. The resultant wines tend to be drier in style with a little bit higher alcohol levels. It is located in the Rhine valley and protected to the North and the West by the Hunsrück Mountains. That's what makes the climate there almost Mediterranean. The soil is heavier and less stony than in the Mosel. They don't have slate like in the Mosel, they have volcanic, glacial and river sediments. That's why the wines are not as mineral but due to the warmer climate more full-bodied than the wines in the Mosel. In general they have less acidity and more of a roundness. The flavors of their Rieslings are more on the peachy side than on the grapefruit side, as they are in Mosel wines. They launched the Pet Nat product in 2022, showcasing their creative versatility in winemaking. They have been making Pinot Noir for decades but introduced their 2021 vintage to the USA in 2023. Their 2022 vintage is available in 2024. They have two active vineyard sites for growing Pinot Noir and have planted more Pinot for future vintages.

## Wine Making

Their philosophy is to employ environmentally sound viticultural techniques, and in the cellar to use the least amount of intervention possible. The grapes are hand harvested and kept on the skin for 10 days. After pressing, the wine ages for 12-18 months in 225 liter barrique barrels made of 100% French oak.

#### **Tasting Notes**

This gorgeous wine has a medium-bodied ruby red color, with a complex and aromatic nose filled with red fruits and some earthy notes. The silky mouthfeel is round and filled with flavors of red berries and spice. The perfectly balanced level of acidity provides a refreshingly lively quality to the wine. Low to moderate tannins make this wine approachable and easy to drink as an apéritif or with a wide variety of foods like roasted chicken, salmon or duck. It is a delicious match for soft and creamy cheeses, yum. Excellent to enjoy young, or it can also be aged to let the complex flavors develop more over time.

### **Press**

♦ 2021 Vintage **88 Points**—Wine Enthusiast

## **Product Specifications**

Available in: 750mL-12 [Natural Cork]

• UPC: 8 75734 00169 8

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• Case Size: 13.8" x 10.2" x 12.3"