



Andre Kientzler

"...every wine here is noteworthy"

Andrew Jefford - The New France

Alsace - (Ribeauville)



The Kientzler Domaine is a small family-run estate consisting of just 10 hectares of vines, of which 3.7 hectares are classified Grand Cru. Riesling and Gewürztraminer make up about half of the families vineyards and five other varieties also contribute to the Domaines output of approximately 6,000 cases.

The families vineyards centre around the three Grand Cru's which border the village of Ribeauville. 'Geisberg' is the smallest of the three facing full south, 'Kirchberg' is slightly larger with a warmer south-west facing aspect, and 'Osterberg', the largest of the Ribeauville Grand Cru's which faces east south-east. The average age of the vines here is about 40 years.

"One of the most talented Winemakers in Alsace.....he has Riesling and Gewürztraminer growing in prime sites and it is what he manages to do with these that ranks his wines among the very best in Alsace. Although his generic Riesling has great class and finesse, his Grand Cru 'Geisberg' and Grand Cru 'Osterberg' are very much finer. The 'Geisberg' is the riper and more opulent, with a wisp of smokiness to the fruit, the 'Osterberg' is more classic and flinty, requiring longer in bottle."

from 'The Wines of Alsace' by Tom Stevenson

"One of Alsace's super-star Domaines" Clive Coates - The wines and Domaines of France



2008 Pinot Gris

Ripe and exotic with a hint of honeyed sweetness with restraint and finesse. Fine citric and stone fruit flavours with hints of smoke.

2008 Gewurztraminer

As always a fine and fresh Gewurztraminer with restraint and lovely fine acidity buffering its richness. Fine elegant and restrained.

2007 Riesling

Classic lime and citrus zest aromas backed by discrete minerality. Wonderfully pure and intense for this level. Fine precise and beautifully balanced.

2004 Riesling "Francois Alphonse"

A blend of the 2 Grand Cru's - 'Osterberg' and 'Geisberg'. Slatey minerally aromas lead to an elegant dry austere palate. Finishing dry with grip.

2007 Riesling Grand cru "Osterberg" - very limited

2007 Riesling Grand cru "Geisberg" - very limited

2004 Riesling Grand cru "Geisberg" cuvee exceptionnelle - very limited

This remarkable wine sports residual sugar of about 20 gms/ltr to balance its superb acidity and fruit intensity. This will cellar magnificently.

2001 Riesling Grand cru "Geisberg" SGN (selection grains noble) - very limited

A stunning sweet wine with residual sugar of about 200 gms/ltr balanced by superb acidity. So intense and yet so moreish...!!