

# WEINGUT ROBERT WEIL

Weingut Robert Weil, founded 1875, is run today by Wilhelm Weil, the fourth generation of the founding family.

The founder of the estate, Dr. Robert Weil, purchased his first vineyards on the Kiedricher Berg in 1867, at a time when he was still a German professor at the Sorbonne in Paris. With the approach of the Franco-Prussian War of 1870/71, he was forced to leave France.

He settled in Wiesbaden, where he worked as a journalist, and Kiedrich, where he expanded his vineyard holdings by acquiring the best sites on the Kiedricher Berg. Thanks to his unwavering commitment to quality-oriented viticulture, his foresight, and his willingness to invest in the estate, it developed quickly and its wines were soon celebrated in international circles. Spätlese and Auslese wines from Weingut Robert Weil graced the table of many European imperial and royal houses as the white counterparts of the Bordeaux reds.

Today, the estate's 90 ha (222 acres) of vineyards are planted 100% with Riesling. Throughout its history the estate has always focused on the Riesling grape and adhered to strict, quality-oriented practices in the vineyard – such as stringent pruning to control yields and selective harvesting by hand – and in the cellar, where the wines are vinified as gently as possible. Consistent quality management guarantees the production of highly-esteemed wines. The estate's dedication to Riesling since 1875 has led numerous observers of the international wine world to regard Weingut Robert Weil, with its "château character", as a worldwide symbol of German Riesling culture.

## **Kiedrich Turmberg** **Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese** *VDP.Erste Lage*

### **Tasting Notes**

Fabled Trockenbeerenauslese with sophisticated, botrytized fruit; opulent and simultaneously elegant, with a seductive, nuanced exchange between sweetness and acidity; a wine to put down and age for many years to come.

### **Vineyard Notes**

The vineyard name Thurmberg/Turmberg, or sometimes just 'Berg,' comes from the surviving keep (central tower) of what used to be Scharfenstein Castle. Situated on the estate's south-southwest facing slopes, the single vineyard is composed of predominantly stony, fragmented phyllite with dramatic inclines of up to 60 %.

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