

# Salwey

Germany - Baden - Vogtsburg



**Ownership/Founders** Konrad & Stephanie Salwey / Benno & Anneliese Salwey

**Start of Activity** 1920

**Vitiviniculture** Biologic (into conversion)

**Hectares** 25

**Bottles produced** 130.000

## GRAUBURGUNDER OBERROTWEIL 100% Pinot Grigio

**Production area:** 80% of the grapes for this wine come from privileged plots in our Oberrotweiler Käsleberg vineyards. The remaining 20 percent comes from the Große Lagen Henkenberg and Eichberg

**Terrain:** Terreni loessici e vulcanici

**Harvest:** manual

**Vinification:** Soft pressing and contact with the skins for 8 hours. Fermentation takes place in 1200 L oak barrels. The wood for these barrels comes from estate trees in Kaiserstuhl and is shipped to selected cooperages in Burgundy for processing. Alcoholic fermentation with native yeasts takes place in barrels and is very rapid and stormy, without any temperature control

**Refinement:** After malolactic fermentation, the wines are aged in oak barrels for at least 18 months before being bottled without filtration

**Color:** straw yellow

**Fragrance:** Earthy and sour character, typical of the Pinot grigio variety

**Flavor:** High tannic structure, which gives the wine a very long finish and a very elegant "grip"

**Alcoholic Grade:** 13% vol



Located in the Kaiserstuhl area of Baden, Germany's sunniest and southernmost region, Salwey sits atop an extinct volcano. The eruptions and faults that originated here give the 25 hectares of the estate a unique topography, and the countless varieties of lava, magma and volcanic rocks create unique soil mineralisation and composition. The main player is loess, or desert dust sand, which may have been windblown in from Africa and deposited at Kaiserstuhl thousands of years ago. This unique and fertile sediment contributes greatly to the region's rich viticulture. The area enjoys a Mediterranean climate, with abundant rainfall, favorable winds and about 1,800 hours of sunshine annually, which is rare for most German regions. Although the family's wine-making roots date back to the 18th century, Salwey has been a winery for three generations and is run by Konrad, who strives to maintain a balance between tradition and innovation: only dry wines are produced, with a strong focus on single vineyards. He devotes himself to the classic grape varieties of the Kaiserstuhl such as Pinot Blanc, Pinot Gris and Pinot Noir with a style that is always clear and direct, letting the terroirs talk: Konrad, in fact, believes in the need to allow nature the time and space to shape the final product. The use of only natural yeasts, the avoidance of filtration and clarification as well as the meticulous attention to all steps make Salwey a benchmark in Baden.