Freiherr von Gleichenstein 2017 Pinot Noir Rosé trocken "Hofgarten"

WineWise Code	GVG-PNR17
Country	Germany
Region	Baden
Subregion	Kaiserstuhl
Color	Rosé
Alcohol by Volume	12.5
Acidity	6.6
Residual Sugar	3
Closure	Screw-top
Annual cases produced	20,000-30,000
Varieties	100% Spätburgunder
Pumpover or Punchdown?	No
Aging method	Stainless Steel 100%
Aging duration (months)	6
Filtered?	Yes
Fining agents	None
Yeast	Spontaneous
Added Sulfur	Yes
Vineyard Name	Hofgarten
Soil Type(s)	Loam, Loess, Volcanic
Vineyard Aspect	Northeast
Vine age (years)	20
Vine Yields hl/ha	60
Farming practices	Conventional
Grape Picking	Hand-harvested
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Notes from the producer:

The Pinot Noir grapes are filled directly after harvest on conveyors without destemming and crushing in the press. Due to the long press time of 6 to 8 hours. After the must clarification by sedimentation with yeast cultures in a stainless steel tank at a temperature between 15 and 20 $^{\circ}$ C. The wines remain in a period of 3-5 months on the wine yeast to achieve a harmony of the wine structure.

All the virtues of Schneider's Weiler Schlipf Spätburgunder are rendered here in a form that is simply a little finer and richer. Vibrant, suave and stylish Pinot Noir with the rooty qualities that one hopes for from the grape and a degree of concentration that commands attention.



WineWise Notes:

This exemplary wine has in short measure become one of our top sellers, on account of its fidelity to both Pinot Noir and the volcanic soils of the Kaiserstuhl, not to mention its friendly price for the quality. The 2017 is marked by pronounced and welcome acidity. It tastes better on Day 3 than Day 1, so it is an excellent by-the- glass proposition, as a large number of restaurants can testify.

This is a 500 year-old estate with monastic origins currently run by the young and dynamic Johannes von Gleichenstein, who impishly calls his top wine "Baron Philipp", on the grounds that they are a noble family and Philipp is his son's name. One suspects that he would welcome a lawsuit from the Rothschilds of Bordeaux, with all its attendant publicity! However, even without that, the wines are deserving of attention, offering fidelity to their soils and very good value. We expect to add whites to the two Pinots Noirs we have initially selected

