



Pinot Paradise

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A close-up photograph of several grapes. Some are bright yellow, while others are a darker, brownish-yellow color. The background is softly blurred, showing more grapes and green leaves.

Trends in the
cultivation...



Wines of
Germany

66.9% of the vineyard area is planted with **white** grape varieties

Source: German Wine Institute Statistics 2020/2021

Grape-variety	Acreage (ha) 2019	Change ha since 1995
Riesling	24.049	+910
Müller-Thurgau	11.736	-11.753
Grauburgunder	7.069	+4.534
Weißburgunder	5.747	+3.925
Silvaner	4.664	-2.882
Kerner	2.357	-5.203
Chardonnay	2.222	+1.951
Bacchus	1.649	-1.800
Sauvignon Blanc	1.498	+1.498
Scheurebe	1.417	-2.189
Gutedel	1.115	-201
Total white	68.911	-16.561

Pinot Trend in Germany...

Source: Statistisches Bundesamt (2020)

Vineyard in ha	1996	2006	2020
Spätburgunder	7 424	11 807	11 660
Grauburgunder	2 523	4 382	7 356
Weissburgunder	1 936	3 491	5 922
Chardonnay	334	1 087	2 377
Müllerrebe (Pinot Meunier)	2 152	2 424	1 807
St. Laurent	90	673	601
Auxerrois	56	167	285
Frühburgunder	56	243	233
Total in ha and in % share of total vineyard area	14 571 (13.9 %)	24 274 (23.8 %)	30 241 (29.3 %)

Source: Statistisches Bundesamt

Global cultivation of key varieties (ha) – year 2015.

Source: German Wine Institute Statistics
2020/2021

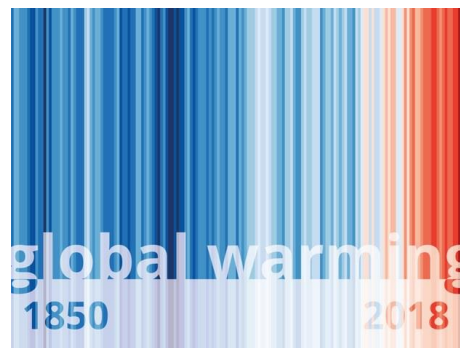
Rank	Riesling	Grauburgunder	Weißburgunder	Spätburgunder
1	24 049 Germany	24 501 Italy	5 747 Germany	32 289 France
2	6 121 Romania	8 485 USA	1 992 Austria	25 004 USA
3	4 605 USA	7069 Germany	1 823 Italy	11 717 Germany
4	4 025 France	3 731 Australia	1 232 France	6 521 Moldova
5	3 157 Australia	2 925 France	827 Slovakia	5 514 New Zealand
6	2 700 Ukraine	2 422 New Zealand	812 Czech Rep.	4 948 Australia
7	2 500 China	1 601 Hungary	695 Russia	4 207 Switzerland
8	2 068 Austria	1 561 Romania	524 Slovenia	4 148 Chile
9	1 681 Italy	912 Czech Rep.	350 Moldova	1 988 Argentina
10	1 343 Moldova	625 Canada	338 Ukraine	1 930 Romania

International Varieties in Germany

(Source: GWI Statistics 2020/21)

	Surface in ha
Chardonnay	2.222
Sauvignon Blanc	1.498
Merlot	744
Cabernet Sauvignon	424
Syrah	80
Cabernet Franc	76

Trend for red blends





White Pinot Varieties

Grauburgunder, Weissburgunder & Chardonnay: Reasons for their popularity:

- Moderate acidity
- Semi-aromatic
- Creamy texture & affinity for wood barrel aging
- Quality from entry level to terroir driven wines
- Wine enjoyment with and without food

Pinot Blanc – Weissburgunder

5.922 ha in Germany

- Mutation of Pinot Gris
- Semi-aromatic, floral aromas
- Creamy texture, moderate acidity
- Not “to dry” in taste
- Affinity for sparkling wine production
- Can express terroir differences

Different winemaking options

= various wine styles and price points

Pinot Blanc Sekt Brut

Wein- und Sektgut Barth / Rheingau

- Growth on loess soil
- Base wine fermented in stainless steel
- 24 months lees ageing
- 12,5% alcohol
- 4,9 g/l acidity
- 4,1 g/l residual sugar
- Retail price Germany: 18 Euro



Saale-Unstrut = hidden champion

- 51st Parallel
- Cool climate / cool nights
- Small vineyards on steep slopes
- Limestone and sandstone soils
- Wine growing since 1000 years
- New generation of winegrowers started the project: „51. Breitengrad“
- New VDP member „Böhme & Töchter“



Freyburger Schweigenberg

- 51st Parallel
- Key vineyard in Saale-Unstrut
- 12 ha only steep slopes
- Terraced hill
- South-facing
- Next to the river Unstrut
- Limestone soils



2020 Freyburger Schweigenberg Weißburgunder trocken

Weingut Böhme & Töchter / Saale Unstrut

- Limestone soils
- Stainless steel fermentation
- New VDP member
- 13% alcohol
- 2,1 g/l residual sugar
- 6,5 g/l acidity
- Retail price Germany: 17,50 Euro



2020 Hohe Setz / Weißburgunder trocken Ökoweingut Rainer Zang / Franken

- Center part of vineyard „Nordheimer Vögelein“
- Limestone soils
- South-west facing slope
- Close to the river Main
- Fermentation in Tonneau barrels followed by battonage and lees ageing for 10 months
- 13% alcohol
- 6 g/l acidity
- 1,8 g/l residual sugar
- Retail price Germany: 14,90 Euro



The „Main Island“ Nordheim & Sommerach



2020 Deidesheimer Paradiesgarten Weißburgunder trocken

Weingut Seckinger / Pfalz

- Steep slope next to the Haardt forrest
- Sandstone soils
- Fermentation in Tonneau followed by 10 months lees ageing
- Low level of added sulfur (10 mg/l)
- Unfiltered
- 12,5% alcohol
- Retail price Germany: 35 Euro





Pinot Gris - Grauburgunder

7.069 ha in Germany

- Mutation of Pinot Noir
- Need warm sites with deep soils and enough water supply
- Susceptible to noble rot
- Semi-aromatic grape variety

One can find very different wine styles made from Pinot Gris: quaffable „Pinot Grigio“ styles, full-bodied and oak aged wines as well as sweet wines concentrated by noble rot (Ruländer).

2021 Grauburgunder trocken

Weingut Jakob Schneider / Nahe

- Located in Niederhausen
- Gutswein for every day drinking
- Stainless steel fermentation
- 13% alcohol
- 5,9 g/l acidity
- 5 g/l residual sugar
- Retail price Germany: 8,20 Euro



2020 Strümpfelbach Nonnenberg Grauburgunder trocken

Weingut Andi Knauß / Württemberg

- South-west facing slope
- 300 – 300 m NN
- Soil: marl
- Fermented in big wooden casks
- Retail price: 25 Euro



Achkarrer
Schlossberg



2020 Schlossberg VDP.Grosses Gewächs Grauburgunder

Weingut Franz Keller / Baden

- Kaiserstuhl = volcanic soils
- Sélection massale
- 12,5% alcohol
- 0,1 g/l residual sugar
- 12 months in big wooden casks
- Retail price: 35 Euro



2020 Grauburgunder KLOPP

Weingut Braunewell / Rheinhessen

- Limestone soils
- 70% pressed after 18 hours skin contact
- 30% fermented with skins
- Fermentation with wild yeast in Barrique
- Unfiltered
- 13,5% alcohol
- 5,8 g/l acidity
- 1,8 g/l residual sugar
- Retail price: 23 Euro



Chardonnay

2.377 ha (constantly increasing)

- Wide range of climate and soil types
- Climate change
- High class limestone sites in Germany
- Very good structure = food pairing
- Affinity for oak ageing and malolactic fermentation
- Affinity for sparkling wine production

Different clonal selections, winemaking and wine styles
High quality at every price point

2019 Chardonnay & Auxerrois Brut Nature Sektellerei Andres & Mugler / Pfalz

- 50% Chardonnay thereof 5% in Barrique
- 50% Auxerrois
- Limestone soils
- Around 18 months lees ageing
- Retail price: 18,50 Euro



2020 Meilenstein Chardonnay trocken

Yvonne Finkenauer / Rheinhessen

- Aromatic Clones
- Vineyard: Bubenheimer Honigberg
- Limestone & loess soils
- 8 months ageing in tonneau
- Retail price Germany: 18,50 Euro



2016 Chardonnay „Mineral“ trocken Weingut Friedrich Becker / Pfalz

- French clones
- 30 year old vines
- Limestone soils – two different vineyards
- Fermentation in oak (Francois Frères)
- Lees ageing & batonnage
- 13,5% alcohol
- Retail price Germany: 45 Euro



2019 Chardonnay Reserve 500

Weingut Bimmerle / Baden

- Subregion Ortenau
- Fermentation in Tonneau
- 13,5% Alcohol
- 1,6 g/l residual sugar
- 6,4 g/l acidity
- Retail price Germany: 29 Euro





Thank you for
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