

LUCIEN ALBRECHT

- SINGLE VINEYARD WINES -

ALSACE, FRANCE



Maison Lucien Albrecht is among the pioneers of viticulture in Alsace. Beginning in 1425, Romanus Albrecht established the family in Alsace in the town of Thann near the Swiss border. In 1698, Balthazar Albrecht moved the family to Orschwir and the modern period began.

Today, the Domaine Lucien Albrecht is located in Orschwir and in nine surrounding villages. The domaine consists of a majority holding of the Grand Cru Pfingstberg, large parcels of the Bollenberg cru overlooking the town and origin of the special cuvees of Pinot Gris “Cecile” and Gewürztraminer “Marie” and three “clos”: Clos Schild Riesling, Clos Himmelreich Riesling and Clos des Recollets Pinot Gris.

Jean Albrecht, the family’s eighteenth generation, heads the firm today and is the firm’s chief winemaker and vineyard manager whose goal is to always “respect the grapes” and to respect nature.

The Albrecht’s believe Alsace is truly one of the most versatile and exciting white wine producing regions in the world.



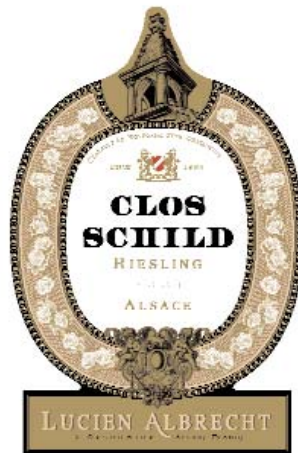
Individual, unique, exceptional and rare... Four wines, Riesling from the Clos Schild and Clos Himmelreich, Pinot Gris from Clos des Recollets and Amplus, a special Pinot Noir cuvee, comprise the range of Grands Vins de Terroir. The Clos Schild vineyard is a micro climate within the great Pfingstberg Grand Cru. Clos Himmelreich, along the ridge of one of the highest slopes in above Orschwir is a Grand Cru in all but name and is the exclusive property of the Albrecht family. Both of these wines are piercing examples of fine Riesling. The Pinot Gris from Clos des Recollets an exceptionally rich version of this great variety from the magnificent walled Clos des Recollets, behind the church of the same order. And Amplus, the personal creation of Jean Albrecht, is new style Alsace Pinot Noir...rich, fruited and a superb combination of old world terroir and new thinking about Pinot Noir in Alsace.



GRANDS VINS de TERROIR
Riesling Clos Schild
Riesling Clos Himmelreich
Pinot Noir Amplus
Pinot Gris Clos des Recollets

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Clos Schild Riesling 2005

THE VINEYARD

This Clos is one of the jewels of the property, located in the heart of the classified grove Pfingstberg. It is surrounded by a high wall, some parts which are several centuries old and ringed with rose bushes, thus the label. The soil is entirely and uniquely red sandstone. The actual vines are 35 years old and were planted in 1970, by Jean's father, Lucien Albrecht. Clos Schild is the pride of the Albrecht family.

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HARVEST & AGEING

One third of the vines are trained in the ancient manner to single post (en échalas). The high maturity grapes are hand picked and gathered in small boxes. The whole cluster grapes are gently pressed in pneumatic press. The long, slow alcoholic fermentation takes place in stainless steel vat to conserve the natural fruitiness of the grape. The alcoholic fermentation is followed by a gravity racking, keeping only the fine lees for an extended less contact, which add further complexity and richness.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The Riesling Clos Schild 2004 is a "concentrate" of this fine varietal, but still remaining dry. It has intense floral aromas, with rich fruit on the palate with lengthy aftertaste.

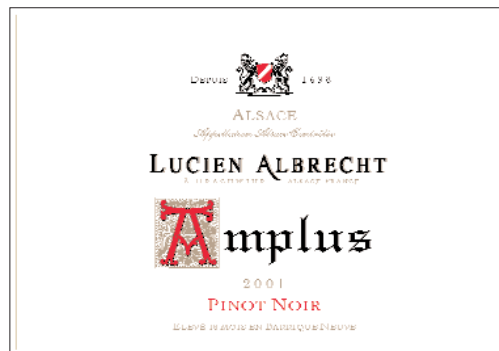
Grape Varieties: 100% Riesling

Finished Alcohol: 13%



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Amplus Pinot Noir 2007

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HARVEST & AGEING

This wine represents a new generation of exceptional Alsace Pinot Noir. This cuvée is personally crafted and vinified by Jean Albrecht. Amplus Pinot Noir is a wine of rich extract, made from low yielding vines. This handcrafted Pinot Noir is sourced from grapes on our mid-slope prime vineyard, the Bollenberg, located in Orschwihr. With short pruning, during the summer, leaf thinning around the grapes and fruit is also dropped to reduce the yield. The hand picked grapes are gathered in small crates. Then, they are hand sorted and destemmed. Prior to the alcoholic fermentation, the grapes are cold soaked. Aging for up to 12 months in small burgundy oak barrels.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This aromatic Pinot Noir has a dense ruby color. It combines red fruit, licorice flavors with concentrated palate weight, freshness and suppleness. Will age gracefully.

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