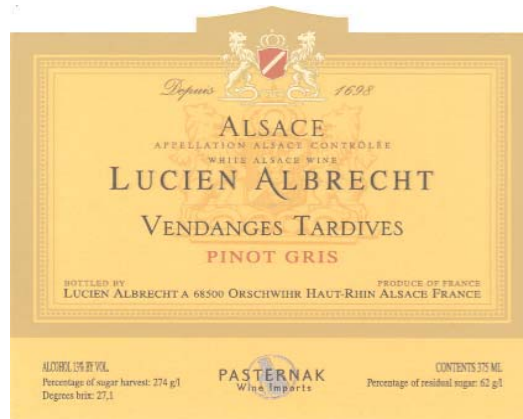


LUCIEN ALBRECHT

Alsace, France



Vendanges Tardives Pinot Gris 2001

THE VINEYARD

Maison Albrecht is a family owned and managed winery founded in 1425 now its ninth generation. The estate includes some of the most prestigious terroirs in Alsace including vineyards and monopoles in the Grand Crus Pfingstberg and several Clos, Clos Schild, Clos Himmelreich, Clos des Récollets. Lucien Albrecht's vineyards are meticulously cared for. Organic farming is emphasized in the vineyards and minimal intervention in the cellars and endeavor to produce, in each vintage, hand-crafted wines that represent the vineyards, appellation and family. The Vendanges Tardives (late grapes harvest) comes from grapes picked up when surmature in november or in december. To their aroma, the strength due to the concentration is added.

HARVEST & AGEING

Pinot Gris for this cuvee are harvested between November and December long after the completion of the regular vintage. The remaining grapes in the vineyards are carefully selected and hand picked. Due to the extreme richness of the wine, fermentation lasts several months. The over-ripeness of the grapes with their natural concentration in sugar and in minerals gives distinctive and complex rich wines.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The wine is extremely concentrated yet balanced and is a superb and unique dessert wine.

Grape Varieties: 100% Pinot Gris

Finished Alcohol: 13%

