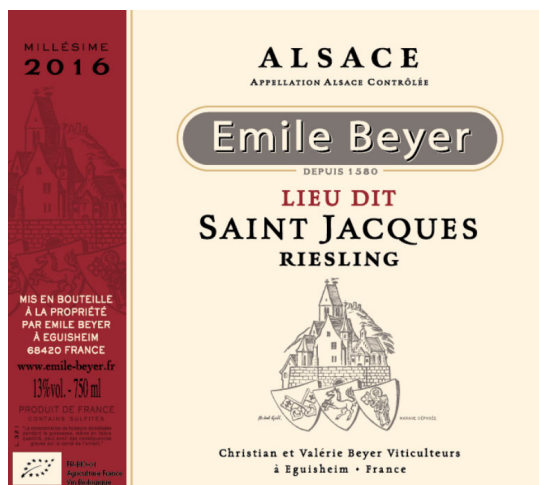


# DOMAINE EMILE BEYER

## RIESLING “SAINT JACQUES”



The firm of Emile Beyer is under the guidance of Christian Beyer, who represents the 14th generation of the Beyer Family of wine growers in the charming village of Eguisheim, in the Alsace wine region. Just outside of Colmar, Eguisheim is a village dear to the hearts of wine lovers as it is considered to be the birthplace of viticulture in Alsace dating back to Roman times. The region is a mosaic of terroirs composed mainly of chalky marl, limestone and sandstone in varying proportions from one plot to the next. The vineyards benefit from the wealth of these diverse terroirs, which combined with the unique microclimate, enabling the vine to reach its highest potential. Crossed by the ancient pilgrimage route of St. Jacques de

Compestelle, the Saint Jacques vineyard lies in the hills above Eguisheim. A chapel from the 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> century on this site dedicated to St. Jacques was first documented in 1487, when the vineyard belonged to the Bishop of Strasbourg. The Beyer family became the owners in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

<b>Region:</b>	Alsace
<b>Owner:</b>	Christian Beyer
<b>Established:</b>	1792
<b>Farming Practices:</b>	Certified Organic; biodynamic farming
<b>Soil:</b>	Marl and sandstone
<b>Grape Varieties:</b>	100% Riesling
<b>Avg Age of Vines:</b>	40 years
<b>Yield/Hectare</b>	45 hl/ha
<b>Residual Sugars:</b>	Dry
<b>Avg Production:</b>	3,000 bottles

**Vinification and Elevage:** A pneumatic press enables extraction of the juice at very low pressures. Fermentation takes place over several weeks in stainless steel vats where the wine remains in contact with the fine lees until bottling in the spring after the harvest.

**Tasting Notes:** The Riesling grape is in perfect harmony with the terroir of the Saint Jacques vineyard. Located on the northeastern slope of the Grand Cru Eichberg hillside with a less sunny exposure, the grapes ripen slowly, bringing brightness and vivacity to this long-lived wine.

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