

## The Wines of Bassermann-Jordan Deidesheim in the Pfalz



- Located in the village of Deidesheim, the Bassermann-Jordan estate is one Germany's blue-chip estates. The history of the Bassermann-Jordan winery is the story of a family dynasty which, together with others, established and greatly influenced quality-based viticulture in Germany for almost 300 years. Each generation produced great personalities who used their intelligence, expertise and flair as well as their financial and political influence to safeguard and improve the reputation of the winery and the outstanding wines produced in the Pfalz area of Germany. Today, Bassermann-Jordan stands among the top echelon of the world's wine estates. Even the famous German writer and wine lover, Goethe, was a customer of the estate in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century.
- As respected politicians, the Bassermann-Jordans had contact with the most influential personalities of their times and contributed greatly to the improvement of the legal and regulatory framework concerning viticulture. Ludwig Andreas Jordan was a member of the German parliament and was a close confidant of Germany's first Chancellor, Otto von Bismarck. As patrons of the arts, the Bassermann-Jordans donated valuable objects to a variety of museums and provided dedicated leadership and outstanding service to preserve the cultural heritage of the Pfalz region. As scientists, they worked on improving wine-growing methods and wrote a definitive book on the history of viticulture. As experts in viticulture, they neither spared costs nor efforts to consistently develop their skills, their knowledge and the quality of their estate.



The Founder - Andreas Jordan

- The name Bassermann-Jordan has always been renowned for the quality of their vineyards. Bassermann-Jordan has vineyards in in the villages of Forst, Deidesheim and Ruppertsberg, which cover 49 hectares and include 20 different sites. One third are Grosses Gewächs or grand cru locations such as Hohenmorgen, Kirchenstück and Jesuitengarten.
- With a passion for research and entrepreneurial energy, with a quest for innovation and concern for the preservation of their cultural heritage, the Bassermann-Jordans have, for centuries, worked on cultivation methods that increase the quality of their wines. In doing so, they have always given absolute priority to the careful handling of the grapes and focused on selection involving painstaking manual work. The result is individual wines full of character.
- This does not mean that the Bassermann-Jordans are going to stop working on ways to improve our wines. They have, for example, a great interest in organic methods of cultivation and they believe in preventative pest management through the use of natural products and still more manual work. This leads to a flora and fauna that boasts biodiversity and supports their efforts to produce sustainable wines that are in tune with Mother Nature. In addition, they are investing money to carry out research into further cultivating methods that are geared towards climate protection.



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<b>Director</b>	Gunther Hauck
<b>Winemaker</b>	Ulrich Mell
<b>Vineyard Area:</b>	49 Hectares
<b>Annual Production:</b>	40,000 bottles
<b>Best Vineyards:</b>	Hohenmorgen, Kirchenstück and Jesuitengarten.
<b>Grape Varieties:</b>	Riesling 85%, Chardonnay, Pinot Blanc, Pinot Gris, Gewurztraminer, Sauvignon Blanc
<b>Average Yield:</b>	54 hl/ha
<b>Fermentation &amp; Aging:</b>	Large neutral oak barrels and stainless steel tanks



Ulrich Mell, Winemaker



#### **Weisser Burgunder & Chardonnay 2007**

A blend of Weisser Burgunder (Pinot Blanc) and Chardonnay aged in French oak barrels. Butterscotch and caramelized apples and pears on the nose. Rich and viscous on the palate with baked apples and pears wrapped in butterscotch with crisp long finish.

#### **Riesling Trocken Qba 2009**

From vineyards above the Rhein River valley comes this wonderful dry Riesling at an affordable price! Flowers on the nose. Bright apples and pears on the palate with well-balanced acidity. Refreshing and very food friendly. 2000 cases produced. 12% Alc. 5.8 grams RS/L. 7.5 grams acidity.

#### **Riesling Feinherb Qba 2009**

This wine is an example of what wonderfully balanced half-dry Riesling should be. Orchard fruits of apple and pear combine with citrus on the palate. The taste at the front and mid-palate is fruity, but the finish is dry without a hint of sweetness. 1000 cases produced. 11% Alc. 23 grams RS/L. 7.8 grams acidity

## The Wines

#### **Paradiesgarten Riesling Kabinett 2008**

This wine is a cornucopia of orchard fruits; ripe apples, apricot, peach and pear provide an intense fruit rush to the front of the palate, while the well integrated acidity allows the wine to finish cleanly, leaving the palate devoid of a sweet aftertaste.

#### **Pechstein Riesling Grosses Gewächs 2009**

The Pechstein is a Grosses Gewächs or Grand Cru Riesling, which is a model for quality classification that represents the pinnacle of the best German wines. Herbal aromas of apricot skin, pine nuts and lemon oil. The intense peach pit flavor and bright saline character are nicely paired. The finish is noteworthy with its density and pungent spiciness and length. 600 6-packs produced. 13% Alc. 7 grams RS/L. 3.9 grams acidity.

#### **Hohenmorgen Riesling Grosses Gewächs 2009**

The Hohenmorgen is a Grosses Gewächs or Grand Cru Riesling, which is a model for quality classification that represents the pinnacle of the best German wines. Pungent scents of mint, sage and white pepper lead to a palate featuring luscious sweet corn and citrus along with hints of gooseberry and a slightly sweet and sour persistent finish. 700 6-packs produced. 13% Alc. 7 grams RS/L. 4.3 grams acidity.

#### **Jesuitengarten Riesling Grosses Gewächs 2009**

The Jesuitengarten is a Grosses Gewächs or Grand Cru Riesling, which is a model for quality classification that represents the pinnacle of the best German wines. Bright aromas of white peach, honeysuckle and nutmeg. The pure, tropical fruit flavors and velvety texture are nicely complemented by refreshing acidity. Rich, succulent and long on the aftertaste, this riesling has the makings of a thoroughbred.

#### **Riesling Auslese Hohenmorgen 2009**

Tropical fruit and salty minerality on the nose. Concentrated luscious papaya, mango and grapefruit on the palate. Honeyed and ripe with botrytis. 120 6-packs produced. 9% Alc. 110 grams RS/L. 7.9 grams acidity.

#### **Goldmuskateller Eiswein 2008**

Sage flower, parsnip, acacia and lemon oil on the nose. Apricot jam and honey on the palate, creamy texture with great acidity for a mouthwatering finish.



### Wine Advocate Ratings

- 95 points - 2008 Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese Deidesheimer Hohenmorgan
- 94 points - 2008 Hohenmorgan Riesling Auslese
- 93 points - 2008 Goldmuskateller Eiswein
- 92 points - 2008 Jesuitgarten Riesling Auslese
- 92 points - 2008 Pechstein Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 91 points - 2008 Hohenmorgan Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 90 points - 2008 Auf der Mauer Riesling
- 88 points - 2008 Riesling Trocken Qba
- 92 points - 2007 Hohenmorgan Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 91 points - 2007 Grainhubel Riesling Kabinett Trocken
- 92 points - 2007 Pechstein Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 91 points - 2007 Jesuitgarten Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 91 points - 2007 Ruppertsberger Reiterpfad Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese
- 91 points - 2007 Leinhohle Riesling Kabinett Halbtrocken
- 88 points - 2007 Riesling Trocken Qba
- 90 points - 2007 Goldmuskateller Eiswein
- 94 points - 2004 Maushohle Riesling Beerenauslese
- 93 points - 2004 Deidesheimer Leinhohle Riesling Auslese
- 95 points - 2002 Riesling Beerenauslese Leinhohle

### Stephan Tanzer's International Wine Cellar Ratings

- 94 points - 2008 Goldmuskateller Eiswein
- 91 points - 2008 Hohenmorgan Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese
- 91 points - 2008 Pechstein Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 91 points - 2008 Kirchenstuck Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 91 points - 2008 Hohenmorgan Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 90 points - 2008 Jesuitgarten Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 96 points - 2007 Ruppertsberger Reiterpfad Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese
- 94 points - 2007 Pechstein Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 93 points - 2007 Kirchenstuck Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 92 points - 2007 Hohenmorgan Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 91 points - 2006 Ruppertsberger Reiterpfad Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese
- 93 points - 2005 Kieselberg Riesling Beerenauslese

### Wine Spectator Rating

- 95 points - 2008 Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese Deidesheimer Hohenmorgan
- 94 points - 2008 Riesling Auslese Forster Jesuitengarten
- 94 points - 2008 Riesling Beerenauslese Forster Kirchenstück
- 94 points - 2007 Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese Ruppertsberger Reiterpfad
- 92 points - 2007 Riesling Auslese Deidesheimer Hohenmorgan
- 89 points - 2007 Riesling Trocken Qba
- 93 points - 2006 Riesling Auslese Gold Cap Pfalz Forster Stift
- 92 points - 2006 Jesuitgarten Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 92 points - 2006 Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese Pfalz Ruppertsberger Reiterpfad
- 89 points - 2006 Riesling Trocken Qba
- 96 points - 2005 Riesling Beerenauslese Kieselberg
- 94 points - 2005 Riesling Auslese Hohenmorgan
- 93 points - 2005 Riesling Auslese Ruppertsberger Reiterpfad
- 88 points - 2005 Riesling Kabinett Deidesheimer Paradiesgarten
- 88 points - 2005 Riesling Trocken Qba
- 94 points - 2004 Riesling Eiswein Deidesheimer Kalkofen
- 96 points - 2001 Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese Ruppertsberger Reiterpfad

### Wine Enthusiast Ratings

- 95 points - 2007 Ruppertsberger Reiterpfad Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese
- 91 points - 2007 Hohenmorgan Riesling Auslese
- 90 points - 2007 Jesuitengarten Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 91 points - 2006 Hohenmorgan Riesling Auslese
- 91 points - 2006 Jesuitengarten Riesling Grosses Gewächs
- 90 points - 2004 Forster Jesuitengarten Riesling Spätlese
- 88 points - 2004 Riesling Trocken Qba