



Rudi Wiest
SELECTIONS

Vintage: 2012
Estate: Schäfer-Fröhlich
Region: Nahe
Name: Felseneck
Grape: Riesling
Ripeness: Spätlese
Style: Fruity
Residual Sugar 89 gm/l
Alcohol 7.5 %
Soil Type: Blue Devonian slate, basalt and quartz
Production Level: 300 Cases
Closure: Cork
UPC: 767946 50412 1

Estate: In 2005 the Gault-Millau / German Wine Guide chose Tim Fröhlich as newcomer of the year and in 2010 as winemaker of the year (the youngest ever). In 1998 Tim stepped into a virtually unknown estate and shaped it into one of the top Nahe estates in a short period of time. The estate has ownership in the slate based, quartzite laced sites of Felseneck in Bockenau and Halenberg and Frühlingsplätzchen (red slate here) in Monzingen, and the porphyry based vineyards Stromberg in Bockenau and Felsenberg and Kupfergrube in Schlossböckelheim. Tim is a master of indigenous yeast fermentation. His Grosses Gewächs wines garner some of the highest scores in Germany and his noble sweets are some of the finest produced anywhere. Schäfer-Fröhlich is a member of the VDP.

Tasting Note: If you haven't had the Felseneck, we think it unlikely you will find a better Spätlese. It offers wonderful mineral details in the aromatics – very finely structured. On the palate it explodes with yellow peach, cassis, red raspberry, orange, tangerine, and lime. The fruit structure is crystalline, the acid ripe and juicy, minerals perfectly faceted, and the wine has breathtaking intensity.

Food Affinity: Great to enjoy on its own, but best with spicy dishes or fusion cuisine

