

MARTIN SCHWARZ CHARDONNAY SACHSEN RADEBEUL 2023

If I didn't know what region this came from, I would guess high-altitude Burgundy. Excellent depth, but so bright and focused on the mediumbodied palate, where the integration of refreshing acidity, fine smoky oak and crisp pear fruit is spot-on. Long, crisp, smoky finish. Unfiltered. Drink or hold.



MARTIN SCHWARZ RIESLING SACHSEN FRIEDSTEIN GG 2023

Compact and smoky on the mediumto full-bodied palate. You could mistake this for an Alsatian grand cru, but it is actually an exceptionally ripe expression (in the positive sense) of Germany's most northerly wine region. Intense crushed rock character in the powerful but fresh finish. Drink or hold.



MARTIN SCHWARZ RIESLING SACHSEN KAPITELBERG GG 2023

The complexity of the vibrant citrus and stone fruit aromas is matched by the intensity of wet-stone minerality in this sleek and very focused, medium-bodied dry riesling. But the best things is the incredible intensity of crushed rock flavors in the extremely long finish. Drink or hold.



MARTIN SCHWARZ SPÄTBURGUNDER SACHSEN FRIEDSTEIN GG 2023

Very fragrant and elegant, this pinot noir is a beauty to behold. Barely medium-bodied, it is so polished and silky. Very fine tannins support the long, precise finish. Drink or hold.



MARTIN SCHWARZ WEISSBURGUNDER SACHSEN MERBITZER BAUERNBERGE EL 2023

The toasty oak is quite prominent in this remarkably sleek, dry pinot blanc, but there are also abundant crisp pear and fresh zucchini flavors, and they retain the upper hand right through the long, cool finish that shows some positive wet-stone minerality. Still youthful. Drink or hold.



SCHWARZ BLAUFRÄNKISCH SACHSEN RADEBEUL 2023

The forest berry, licorice and clove aromas pull you into this sleek, barely medium-bodied blaufrankisch that may not be so concentrated (it's from young vines), but has been expertly crafted. Good integration of bright acidity, fine tannins and delicate rooty character in the long finish. Drink or hold.



SCHWARZ SÄCHSISCHE LANDWEIN ORANGE 2023

I love the bitter orange marmalade character of this remarkable, bonedry orange wine. It shows concentration, beautiful balance and clarity that's rare in this category. The touch of bitterness in the long, moderately tannic finish seals the deal. Unfiltered. Drink or hold.