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2021 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Steil Pinot Noir

The 2021 Steil Pinot Noir displays a deep, pure, fresh and spicy, flinty nose that displays ripe sour cherry, blackcurrant and rose petal aromas and remains wonderfully reductive for a while. On the palate, this is a "light," bright, enormously fresh and savory, straight but elegant and silky-textured Pinot with delicate, crystalline acidity and almost floral, predominantly red fruit. This is a frisky and buoyant but seriously structured Rheingau Spätburgunder rather than Pinot Noir. 13.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2021 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Micke Pinot Noir

The 2021 Micke Pinot Noir is deep, intense and subtle on the fragrant, pure, fresh and very elegant, only slightly toasty yet most of all substantial and intense nose that is full of broken slate, smoke and dried rose petals. Full-bodied, rich yet refined and fresh on the palate, this is a dense and vivacious, saline and tensioned Pinot Noir that shows its youth and even more so its huge aging potential. It has a very long, intense and serious, saline and complex finish. This is an impressive 2021 that can age for decades. 13.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2021 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

The 2021 Present Pinot Noir is the most airy and filigreed Assmannshäuser Spätburgunder of the 2021 trio. It is highly delicate in everything on the nose in terms of freshness, red cherries and slate aromas that intermingle with iodine and cacao aromas. Silky, refined and very elegant on the palate, this is an enormously fine, fresh and saline Pinot with filigreed tannin intertwined with the crystalline acidity from the phyllite slate. The finish is focused on the cherry fruit and the filigreed, sharp slate character. This 2021 is like a Pinot Noir choir with sopranos and children's voices, whereas the Micke includes the baritones and tenors. The Present has remarkably fine acidity and pure slate character, whereas the hedonists among us would say it lacks a bit of soul and earth. 13.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2020 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Steil Pinot Noir

The 2020 Steil Pinot Noir is very intense and generous on the nose that is full of ripe cherries, cassis, flinty (broken) slate and smoke aromas of a South African barbecue. Round, refined and very elegant on the palate, this is a full-bodied, rich and again very generous and warming, almost sweet and creamy-textured Pinot for an Assmannshäuser, but indeed, it's a 2020 from weathered slate. 14.5% stated alcohol, Natural cork, Tasted at the Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2020 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Micke Pinot Noir

The 2020 Micke Pinot Noir opens with a certain oxidative character combined with super ripe and plummy fruit that I personally consider to be overly generous or overtly blousy. Nut and buttercream notes are added and call early on for a braised venison roast with lots of mashed potatoes and a pat of the best French butter. Fresh and elegant on the palate, this confusing, double-edged Pinot reveals an unexpected freshness and elegance and even purity. which intensifies on the enormously salty-mineral finish. None of the richness and opulence of the nose is left on the palate: in fact, it is guite athletic, and it's stimulatingly salty and grippy on the long, aromatic finish. It's a convincing wine in the end. And the second bottle showed a much brighter. fresher and purer nose that pairs with the very young palate much better: however. there is 14.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the Hotel Kronenschlösschen in

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2020 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

The 2020 Present Pinot Noir is just beautiful on the fragrant, pure, refined and generously intense but always Assmannshausen-scented nose with all its slate and pure red cherry and small berry aromas that intertwine with toasty nuances of the finest French oak (Radoux). On the palate, this is a vivacious, silky, fresh and intense, very energetic and digestible Pinot with a long, intense and aromatic, densely textured finish. 15% stated alcohol? No way, this is dancing away. Natural cork. Tasted at the Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2019 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Steil Pinot Noir

The 2019 Steil Pinot Noir is beautifully clear, fragrant and fresh on the nose that is a typical slate Pinot from the Assmannshausen/Lorch area in the Rheingau. It remains on the floral and fragrant side, intertwined with black tea (Assam?), slate and cacao aromas as well as ideas of cherries and berries. Pure, light, vibrantly fresh and juicy on the palate, this is a crystalline, rather coolish and saline Pinot with a clear and palate-cleansing finish. 13.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2019 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

The 2019 Present Pinot Noir opens with a radically pure and floral bouquet of broken slate, iodine and dried blossoms. Silky, fresh and intense on the palate, this is a substantial, powerful but also refined and athletic Pinot Noir with veins and muscles and a long, aromatic and opening finish with potted strawberry flavors and the salinity and crystallinity of the phyllite slate of the Presentberg in Lorch (Assmannshausen). This is another palate-cleansing red bottled unfiltered with 14% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2018 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

The 2018 Present Pinot Noir is dark ruby-colored and opens with a deep, intense and generous, slightly nutty and buttery bouquet that has a relationship with the 2020 Micke that also shows a rather southern European (or very sunny) nose for a Rheingau Pinot. However, the bouquet remains precise and focused, like the palate, which is vibrantly fresh, pure, crystalline and slate-driven. Again, the generosity of the baroque nose is transported back to the Gothic period, i.e., the Assmannshausen DNA. The finish is vital and playful, combining ripe and generous fruit with the finesse and tension of the terroir and the viticulture and winemaking. This is a beautiful wineshame on those who described 2018 as a vintage with too much sun. Pinot Noir cannot have enough of it, but the producer has to protect the grapes from the environments as if it was his little child. Well done here, Jens Heinemyer. 14% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2017 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Phyllit Pinot Noir

The 2017 Phyllit Pinot Noir is precise, fresh and floral rather than fruity on the nevertheless intense nose that is reminiscent of fried mushrooms, broccoli and rose petals. Silky, fresh and elegant on the palate, this is a pure, firm and ascetic, seriously structured yet quite protestant Pinot Noir that was the only one produced here in 2017. 12.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2016 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Micke Pinot Noir

The 2016 Micke Pinot Noir is deep and intense on the nose that is leafy, coolish and provided with wilted red fruit aromas but also some peppery notes. Silky, refined and fresh on the palate, this is a fullbodied, intense and athletic, well-concentrated vet structural rather than textural Pinot with healthy, refreshing and greenish grip, tea aromas and French charisma. Love it (with food) or leave it. 13.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim in February 2025.

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2015 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Micke Pinot Noir

The dark (and aged) rubycolored 2015 Micke Pinot Noir is deep and intense on the nose, intermingling black tea with broken slate aromas. Vivacious, saline and energetic on the palate, this is another vintage that doesn't have the very best reputation due to its heat, but whoever tastes this wine has to admit that this is very convincing not only in its ripeness but also its vitality, tension and mouth-watering finish. Taste this wine rather than just read about it! 14% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim (Rheingau) in February 2025.

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2014 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Phyllit Pinot Noir

The 2014 Phyllit Pinot Noir is the only Pinot that was produced in that year, and it opens with a floral and fruity, quite intense but also fragrant and slatey bouquet with iodine and aromas of cherries and forest berries intermingled with cacao and crushed slate notes. Light, bright and fresh on the palate, this is a tight and pure, vivacious and silky Pinot with crunchy grip and tension. 12.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim (Rheingau) in February 2025.

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2013 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

The ruby-colored 2013 Present Pinot Noir is deep, pure, intense and fresh on the iodine-infused, ethereal nose. Silky, fresh and vital on the palate, this is an intense but light and fresh, vivacious and persistent Pinot with remarkable intensity, juiciness and concentration. It's a great and stimulating 2013 Pinot. 13.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim (Rheingau) in February 2025.

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2012 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

The 2012 Present Pinot Noir is deep, smoky and peppery on the intense and cherryscented nose that also reveals some oxidative nuances. Fullbodied, pure and fresh on the palate, this is a generous and tightly structured Pinot with a vital, persistently saline character, power and tension. Impressive. It's incredibly intense and vital. There was late physiological ripeness in 2012.14% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim (Rheingau) in February 2025.

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2011 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Micke Pinot Noir

The 2011 Micke Pinot Noir opens with ripe red and dark cassis aromas on the fine and flinty/slatey nose. Full-bodied, tight and fresh on the palate, this is a silky-textured, crystalline, straight and saline Pinot with fine and crunchy tannins. It is tight but juicy and full of music and is long and salivating on the aromatic and palate-cleansing finish. 13.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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2009 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

The 2009 Present Pinot Noir is open and buttery on the deep, intense and generous nose. Bright, wide and fresh on the palate, this is a medium to full-bodied, vital and saline Pinot with a long and intense, quite matured finish. It's a very intense and powerful as well as energetic and vibrantly fresh Pinot. 14% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim (Rheingau) in February 2025.

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2008 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Phyllit Pinot Noir

The 2008 Phyllit Pinot Noir is pure, intense and still young on the nose that reveals dried and withered floral aromas of ripe and fleshy cherries. Light and fresh on the palate, this is an elegant and playful Pinot with a silky texture and Riesling-like finesse and nervousness in terms of acidity. It's not really long, but it has character and a respectable condition after 16+ years. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at Hotel Kronenschlösschen in Hattenheim (Rheingau) and again at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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2007 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Steil Pinot Noir

From a very dry vintage, the 2007 Steil Pinot Noir matured to a ruby-crimson color and opens with a significantly matured nose of ripe and potted as well as candied cherries and a touch of sweetness. Round and rich on the palate, this is a generous, dense and sweet but also spicy and finely tannic Pinot with toasty notes of cacao and mocha. This warming, silkytextured and quite generous but filigreed Pinot has an intense and substantial finish. It's a stunning wine that drinks perfectly well today. 14% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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2006 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

From a fabulous vintage for earlier-ripening varietals such as Pinot Noir, the 2006 Present Pinot Noir is deep. pure and fresh on the elegant and mineral nose that combines black tea and slate with ripe cherry and dark berries and also some black pepper aromas. Silky, fresh and tight on the palate, this is a ripe but still intense and vital, nervous and tensioned Pinot Noir with a long, stimulating saline and savory finish. It is showing the first signs of dead heads. 13.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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2004 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Steil Pinot Noir

From a very warm vintage and served from a magnum bottle, the dark-colored 2004 Steil Pinot Noir opens with cassis and toast aromas and is remarkably refined on the deep and elegant nose. Matured and even withered but still fresh on the palate. this is a full-bodied, textured. saline and crystalline, salivating Pinot with warm cassis flavors on the long and aromatic finish. 14% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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2003 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

From a very dry and partly extremely hot vintage, the dark ruby-colored 2003 Present Pinot Noir opens with a deep, generous and elegant nose of ripe and overripe cherries and plums intertwined with cacao and discreet cassis aromas. Fullbodied, intense and precise as well as fresh, this is a vivacious, very warm but also elegant and generous red with remarkably fine tannins and mouthwatering salinity on the finish. This is a spectacular wine with great intensity, power and elegance. 14% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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2002 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Phyllit Pinot Noir

The 2002 Phyllit Pinot Noir is matured and a little bit withered on the nose that shows dried rose aromas intertwined with cherry notes. Silky, fresh and elegant on the palate, this medium to fullbodied Pinot is enormously vital but also intense and finessed, developing a long, intense and aromatic as well as stimulating crystalline and saline finish. This wine is long and expressive, full of tension and character. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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The 2001 Steil Pinot Noir is pure, bright and minerally fresh on the elegant and aromatic flinty or slatey nose that reveals withered but fleshy cherry and floral aromas. Round and juicy on the palate, this is a mediumbodied, intense and juicy or textured Pinot with fine and ripe acidity and a long, stimulating saline and crunchy finish. This is a regular wine (i.e., not a grand cru) from an exciting vintage, and it is full of vitality and character. I am curious about how the older top wines Micke or Present would taste today. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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1999 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

Served from a magnum, the 1999 Present Pinot Noir is deep, pure and intense on the peppery nose that shows a discreet Brettanomyces aroma. Round, intense and enormously vital on the palate, this is an extraordinary Pinot Noir with a silky texture and a stimulating saline and savory, very long and tensioned finish. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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1998 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

Picked on October 26, the 1998 Present Pinot Noir is deep and matured on the nose, whereas the palate is elegant and refined and is charmingly saline on the finish. This is a very elegant and respectable Pinot aged almost 27 years. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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1997 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

Tasted from a magnum bottle, the 1997 Present Pinot Noir is fragrant and generous on the pure yet intense and matured, slightly herbal bouquet. Fullbodied, silky, fresh and generous but also vital and saline on the palate, this is an intense, powerful and characterful Pinot with a dense yet silky texture and a salivating finish with bitter orange notes. This is a great and food-friendly Pinot. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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1996 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Steil Pinot Noir

Picked in a very cold autumn, the 1996 Steil Pinot Noir is quite open and matured on the quiet nose and vital and mouth-tickling on the palate that combines ripe and matured, textured fruit with abnormal acidity and mineral tension. It is saline and salivating on the finish. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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1995 Solveigs I Pinot Noir Present Pinot Noir

From the very first vintage of the domaine and picked at 95° Oechsle, the 1995 Present Pinot Noir opens with generous but elegant fruit. Stimulating saline and really salivating on the palate, this is a full-bodied, generous yet savory, crystalline and stimulating Pinot with intense and fleshy fruit and a long and substantial finish. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in Geisenheim in February 2025.

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