

# *Cave de Ribeauvillé 2015 Collection Riesling Alsace*

Soft and mellow ripeness rises from the glass, suggesting ripe Mirabelle plum and warm citrus. The palate of this wine is bright with lemony, high-pitched freshness balanced by the dry, fruit-driven body and clean finish.

- **APPELLATION:** Alsace, Alsace, France
- **WINERY:** Cave de Ribeauvillé
- **ALCOHOL:** 13.5%
- **BOTTLE SIZE:** 750 ml

## Alsace wine

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**Alsace wine** or **Alsatian wine** (in [French](#): *Vin d'Alsace*) ([German](#): *Weinbau in Elsass*) is produced in the [Alsace](#) region in [France](#) and is primarily white. Because of its Germanic influence, it is the only *Appellation d'Origine Contrôlée* region in France to produce mostly [varietal](#) wines, typically from similar grape varieties to those used in [German wine](#). Along with [Austria](#) and Germany, it produces some of the most noted dry [Rieslings](#) in the world as well as highly aromatic [Gewürztraminer](#) wines. Wines are produced under three different AOCs: Alsace AOC for white, rosé and red wines, [Alsace Grand Cru AOC](#) for white wines from certain classified vineyards and [Crémant d'Alsace AOC](#) for sparkling wines. Both dry and sweet white wines are produced.

In 2006, vines were grown on 15,298 [hectares](#) (37,800 [acres](#)) in 119 villages in Alsace, and 111.3 million litres of wine was produced, corresponding to 148.4 million bottles of 750 ml, generating 478.8 million euro in revenue. Of the vineyard surface, 78% was classified for the production of AOC Alsace wines, 4% for AOC Alsace Grand Cru, and 18% for AOC Crémant d'Alsace.<sup>[1]</sup> About 90% of the wine produced is white.<sup>[2]</sup> 25% of the production is exported, and the five largest export markets for still Alsace wine in terms of volume are [Belgium](#), [Netherlands](#), [Germany](#), [Denmark](#) and the [United States](#).<sup>[3]</sup>