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## "WHAT A POWER!"

### Heiner Lobenberg about Bürgergarten "Im Breumel" GG 2023

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"The Breumel is a small parcel in the Bürgergarten vineyard, the historic prime site. It is 2.6 hectares that have never been ploughed, in principle a top vineyard that has remained unchanged for centuries. It is the part of the Bürgergarten closest to the forest and at the highest altitude. Certified organic vineyard work. Theoretically, more GG would be possible for Müller Catoir on the area of the Bürgergarten, but they voluntarily limit themselves here and only press a GG from the "Breumel" parcel in order to really maintain maximum quality. The rest goes into the Erste Lage. Yellow red sandstone, very barren. Breumel has the highest proportion of stone of all the vineyards in the Bürgergarten. The wine was fermented completely spontaneously and left on the lees for a long time, preceded by whole-cluster pressing. Sulphur is only used for the first time long after fermentation. Cellar master Franzen would like to make the wine a little more oxidative, hence the late sulphurization, but if possible not to allow malolactic fermentation to take place. The wine is matured half in used 500 liter wooden barrels and half in steel. Fermented to a few grams. Harvested completely botrytis-free, perfect grapes. In direct comparison to the Erste Lage, the nose already exudes more density. Even more depth and concentration. Although this is the highest parcel in the vineyard, the yellow-fruity spice comes through so wonderfully here. At a very young stage, this seems almost a little more fruit-forward and accessible. Radiating great elegance and composure. Flint and also a smoky component. White fruit, some apple blossom, quince, green pear. Harvested on September 20th, which is really early here at M-C, especially for a GG. The game continues on the palate. Great spice, yellow fruit, all in perfect harmony but definitely with thrust and salty texture. The length is really impressive. What power! Zero fat, but simply enormous density, everything is superbly finely interwoven. Doesn't really end at all, the mineral tension goes on forever. Enormous depth and complexity. The acidity is there, but it is round and juicy. A grandiose, harmoniously fine but also profound Palatinate GG. Great!" - 97-98+/100 Points

