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An autochthon tribute to tradition, produced only in the very best vintages from meticulously selected, unique grape material.

**Grape varieties:** 95 % Blaufränkisch, 5 % St. Laurent

Vintage: 2009

Vine age: Grapes stem from our oldest vines, which are up to 80 years old.

**Vinification:** Fully ripe, healthy grapes are handpicked. Traditional fermentation on

the skins with submersion of the cap followed by a 50-day maceration. Malolactic fermentation in small oak barrels. During the 40-month maturation in small oak barrels, the wine is racked several times to achieve natural clarification. After assemblage of the blend, the wine

matures for another 4 months in large wooden cask.

**Analysis:** Alcohol by volume 14.5 %, residual sugar 1.2 g/l, acidity 6.2 g/l

**Tasting note:** Dark ruby with an opaque core and purple Highlights. Blackberry and

ripe damson plum are backed with soft smoky Aromas, a hint of orange zest, and juniper. Balsamic nuances and rich ripe cherry fruit join in on the concentrated palate. The abundant Tannins are sweet and fine-grained and lend texture the entire length. Despite all its power, this wine remains elegant and fresh making it an exceptional

wine at the table.

**Best enjoyment:** 2013 – 2033, with optimal storage

**Drinking temperature:**  $16 - 18 \,^{\circ}\text{C} (61 - 64 \,^{\circ}\text{F})$ 

**Food pairing:** Dark meat and game dishes

Available bottle sizes: 0.75 l, Magnum (1,5 l), double Magnum (3 l), Methuselah (6 l)

Albert und Silvia Gesellmann wish abundant enjoyment with this wine!