

Stefan Steinmetz

GÜNTHER STEINMETZ, BRAUNEBERG, GERMANY



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- Winemaker, Günther Steinmetz
- Joined winery in 2000, his first vintage in 1999
- The Estate of Weingut Günther Steinmetz, 11.8 hectares of vineyards, are currently managed and cultivated by Stefan Steinmetz and his mother Edith Steinmetz, with assistance from Stefan's wife, Sammie Steinmetz. This traditional, winemaking family makes their home in the small village of Brauneberg, Germany.

Stefan Steinmetz was born in 1978 in Bernkastel-Kues, Germany to Hans Guenther and Edith Steinmetz. He began his first 3-years of education in Viticulture at the Weinbau Schule in Bernkastel-Kues, followed by a 2-year work-study program at Nationally Certified Staatlich Geprüfter Wirtschaftler Weinbau and Hochschule in Trier.

Weingut Günther Steinmetz was founded in the 1900s and overseen until 1938 by Stefan's great-grandfather, August Steinmetz. August's son, Wilhelm Steinmetz ran the winery from 1938 until his death in 1958 when the winery was passed on to his son, (and father of Stefan) Herr Hans Guenther Steinmetz. Stefan would take the reins of Cellar Master and cultivation manager in 2000 along with his mother, Edith, when his father became ill. His first vintage would follow the very next year.

Stefan's dedication to traditional winemaking practices and "working as close to nature" is well known. When he is not making wine or sharing his experiences with his colleagues, Stefan enjoys meditation, history, and of course, spending quality time with his wife, Sammie, and their 3 children.

