Thüringer Glühwein' technical file

Name	Thüringer Glühwein
Name and address of applicant	Schutzverband Thüringer Glühwein e.V. Am Rautenanger 3 07613 Crossen/Thuringia Germany
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	Gerstacker Weinkellerei Likörfabrik GmbH Am Rautenanger 3 07613 Crossen
	Winzervereinigung Freyburg-Unstrut eG Querfurter Strasse 10 06632 Freyburg
	St. Lorenz Weinkellerei GmbH Am Rautenanger 3 07613 Crossen
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	Weico Weinkellerei GmbH Am Rautenanger 3 07613 Crossen

'Thüringer Glühwein' product specification

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Description of principal analytical and organoleptic characteristics	Organoleptic characteristics of 'Thüringer Glühwein'
	Appearance: ruby red, minimum colour density of 3.3 (= sum of the absorptions for photometric measurement at wavelengths of 420 nm, 520 nm, 620 nm), clear. Aroma: aroma of cloves and cinnamon, vinous, aroma of bitter orange and lemon zest. Taste: spices of cinnamon and cloves, aroma of bitter orange and lemon zest, vinous, semidry to semi-sweet. • Analytical characteristics: • minimum alcoholic strength of 8.5 % vol • total sugar content of 50-100 g/l total acidity (calculated as tartaric acid) of

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	4 4-5 4 a/l
Specific production processes and specifications, as well as the relevant restrictions for product production	4.4-5.4 g/l. In order to guarantee high-quality 'Thüringer Glühwein', bottling must take place promptly after flavouring and sweetening. Ensuring that bottling takes place promptly after the production process can prevent the occurrence of changes to the aroma profile that can be perceived by the senses. The following methods recognised by the International Organisation of Vine and Wine (OIV) for aromatised grapevine products are not traditional and are therefore not used:
Raw materials/ingredients	 chemical acidification, partial dehydration, freeze concentration, re-fermentation. red wine from the European Union, with a colour density of at least 3.3 sweetened only with sugar, invert sugar and/or glucose-fructose syrup
	spiced with a special blend of traditional Glühwein spices, predominantly cloves (Eugenia caryophyllata) and cinnamon (Cinnamomum zeylanicum), as well as vanilla (Vanilla planifolia), bitter orange (Citrus aurantium) and lemon zest (Citrus limon); maceration and/or percolation may be used to produce the individual spice extracts depending on the spice in question.
	'Thüringer Glühwein' is produced exclusively from red wine, as described above, and is composed of a minimum of 90 % red wine and a maximum of 10 % ingredients used for flavouring and sweetening.
Demarcation of the relevant geographical area Link pursuant to Article 2(3) of Regulation (EU) No 251/2014	The boundaries of the state of Thuringia The idea of spicing wine can be traced right back to the ancient Greeks. The Romans then spread this culture over 2 000 years ago. Winegrowing in Thuringia has a history spanning over 1 000 years. Winegrowing continued to expand in Thuringia thanks to the significant spread of monasteries in the 12th century.
	According to tradition, the first 'Thüringer Glühwein' was produced in the 1930s. Fritz Köllner, who in 1926 founded Rolando & Co. GmbH Gotha, later Thüringer Weinkellereien GmbH Gotha, now Gotano GmbH, developed a special recipe for Thüringer Glühwein. Unfortunately, there is no written documentation from that time owing to the chaos that followed the Second World War.
	When the Allies marched into Gotha in

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April 1945, production continued under the supervision of the occupying forces. In June, the occupation changed hands.

Representatives of both sides gathered in front of the factory in Gotha. The Red Army relieved the Americans, and at the same time took over supervision of operations. A year later, the German-Italian company was expropriated for the first time. This happened again in 1950 and once more in 1952, with the company being renamed VEB (K) Spirituosenfabrik Gotha.

In 1959, vermouth production restarted. The base wine was developed in collaboration with Yugoslavian partners in Zagreb, and then underwent further processing according to the traditional recipes of Rolando & Co. As there were restrictions on imports of the base wine at the time, the focus was placed on vermouth production. Only towards the end of the 1960s did it once again become possible to produce limited quantities of Glühwein based on the recipe handed down by word of mouth.

In 1997, the Weinkellerei Gotha GmbH was awarded the quality seal 'Original Thüringer Qualität' for its 'GOTANO Thüringer Glühwein'.

To the great credit of the CEO of the Weinkellerei Gotha GmbH at the time, Rüdiger Köllner, in 2006 'Thüringer Glühwein' was approved as a product with a protected geographical indication by the European Union.

However, a special sensory composition has developed for 'Thüringer Glühwein' in comparison to other types of Glühwein. In addition to cloves and cinnamon, 'Thüringer Glühwein' is traditionally also spiced with bitter orange and lemon zest in particular to give it its aroma. Furthermore, much less sweetener is added to 'Thüringer Glühwein' compared to other types of Glühwein.

'Thüringer Glühwein', with its special flavour, has been a tradition in Thuringia and in Germany for decades.

Consumers expect 'Thüringer Glühwein' to continue to have this well-known flavour. 'Thüringer Glühwein' has been very well known for decades. 'Thüringer Glühwein' is recognised and treated nationally as a Thuringian speciality and is also served and sold at Thuringia's numerous Christmas markets and elsewhere.

Applicable requirements in accordance with EU

Regulation (EU) No 251/2014

law

'Thüringer Glühwein' meets the requirements of an aromatised wine-based drink in accordance with Article 3(3) and the requirements of Glühwein in accordance with Section B Point 8 of Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 251/2014, whereby 'Thüringer Glühwein' is spiced primarily with cinnamon and cloves. The alcoholic strength is above the prescribed minimum alcoholic strength. Apart from the quantity of water that is added in accordance with Point 2 of Annex I, the addition of water is not permitted.

Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008

The requirements defined in Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 concerning additives, including colours, apply to aromatised wine products and therefore to 'Thüringer Glühwein'. Accordingly, the following additives are not permitted: E 420. E 421. E 953. E 965. E 966. E 967 and E 968. The addition of sulphur dioxide (E 220-228) is permitted up to a maximum quantity in the finished product of 200 mg/l. Furthermore, the requirements of Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2011 on the provision of food information to consumers, amending Regulations (EC) No 1924/2006 and (EC) No 1925/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Commission Directive 87/250/EEC, Council Directive 90/496/EEC, Commission Directive 1999/10/EC, Directive 2000/13/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, Commission Directives 2002/67/EC and 2008/5/EC and Commission Regulation (EC) No 608/2004 (OJ L 304/18, 2015 OJ L 50/41), as last amended by Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of 25 November 2015 (OJ L 327/1), in its respective current version, apply to the labelling.

In addition, the provisions of the Weingesetz (Wine Act) in the version published on 18 January 2011 (Federal Law Gazette p. 66) and the Weinverordnung (Wine Regulation) in the version published on 21 April 2009 (Federal Law Gazette I p. 827), in the respective current versions, apply insofar as they are applicable to aromatised wine products.

Names and addresses of the authorities or bodies verifying compliance with the provisions of the product specification and their specific tasks Verification of compliance with the product specification is carried out annually and includes verification of compliance with all requirements concerning the raw materials, production and bottling, as well as the product.

The veterinary and food supervisory authorities in Thuringia are listed below. The authority locally responsible for the relevant business, in consultation with the wine control authority, is responsible for verifying compliance with the product specification.

Irrespective of the place of bottling, the bottling facilities must in future be subject to a control procedure, whereby the bottling facilities must be assessed by the same product certification body that also monitors the relevant production facility.

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