



**Stéphane Gass,**  
**Head Sommelier at Schwarzwaldstube\*\*\* restaurant**  
**(Traube Tonbach \*\*\*\*\* Superior hotel)**  
**Germany**



The “Table of the Black Forest” gourmet restaurant alone makes a trip to Hotel Traube Tonbach worth the visit! Three-star Michelin rated for the last 20 years and holder of a maximum number of points (19.5) in the Gault & Millau, this restaurant is one of Europe’s finest. The Schwarzwaldstube is the only restaurant in Germany to have had three-star Michelin rating for over 20 years.

*Millésime Bio: Does organic wine have an important place in your wine list?*  
 Yes. 65 % of the wines on our wine list are organic.

*Millésime Bio: Germany is a traditional and vital market for organic wines...the world’s first importer even! How has the image of organic wine evolved in the eyes of your customers? Is the organic label important?*

Considering that the most prestigious estates are generally either organic or under conversion, this incites customers to order these wines in restaurants; the organic label is not mentioned on our wine list, and it is the wine waiters who recommend wines to 90% of our customers, never hesitating to share tales of their emotional encounters with organic wine-growers.

*Millésime Bio: You are a regular attendee at Millésime Bio, what do you like about the fair?*  
 Excellent organisation, wine served at perfect temperature, fresh, young talent just waiting to be discovered, direct contact with wine-growers...

**Stéphane Gass and Schwarzwaldstube in short**

- 1971 Born in Saverne, Alsace (France)
- 1991 Head sommelier at Schwarzwaldstube
- 1997 Winner of the Gault & Millau “Sommelier of the Year” award
- 1999 Winner of the Bertelsmann Grand Hotel and Restaurant Guide “1999 Sommelier of the Year” award
- 2011 “Wine List of the Year” by the Gault & Millau Wine Guide
- 2012 “Wine List of the Year” by the French “Revue du Vin de France”
- 2015 “Wine List of the Year” by the French “Revue du Vin de France”

**Further information at: [www.traube-tonbach.de/en/schwarzwaldstube-restaurant](http://www.traube-tonbach.de/en/schwarzwaldstube-restaurant)**