

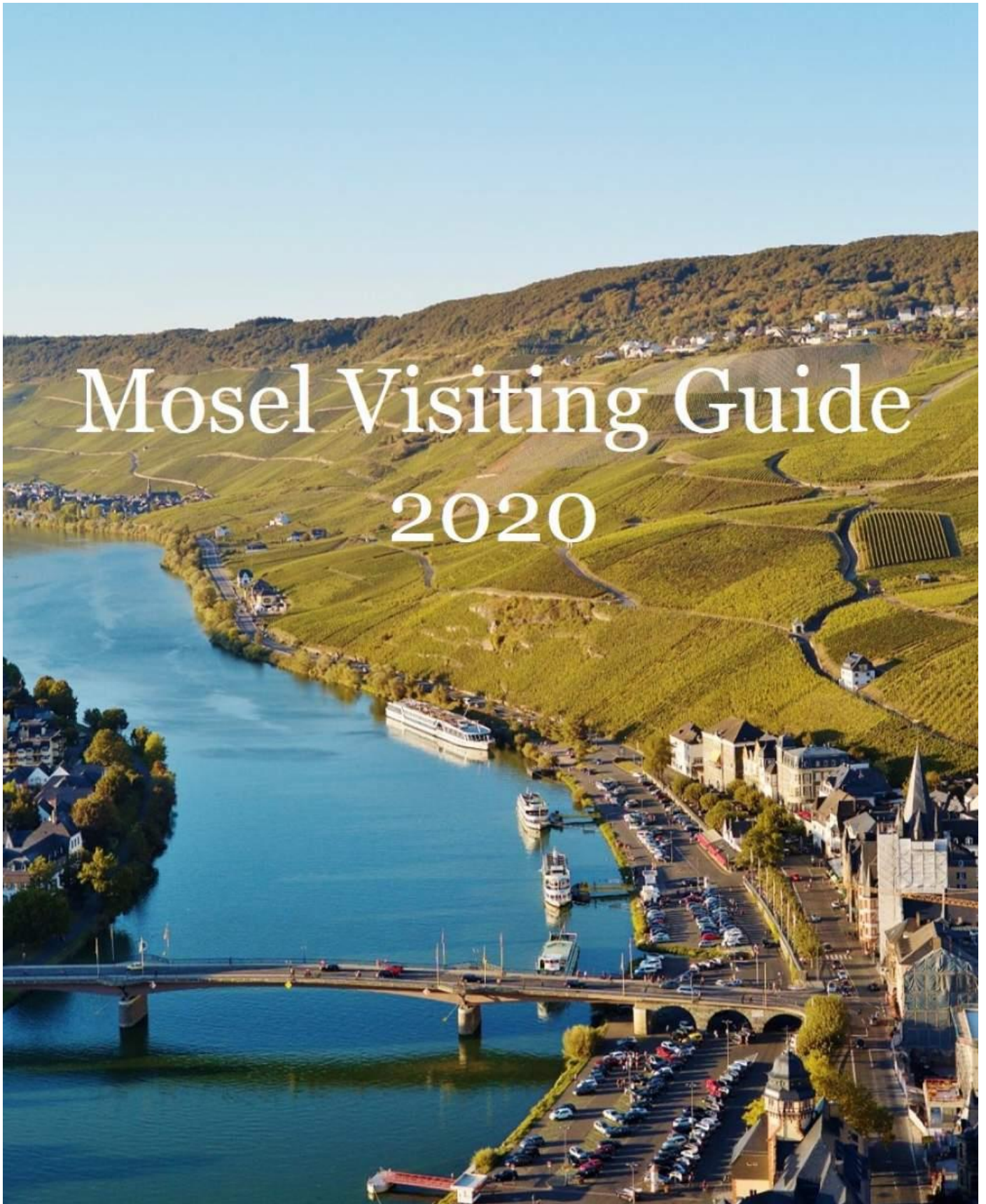


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WHAT IF I ONLY HAVE ONE DAY TO SPEND IN THE MOSEL?

This question pops up regularly from wine lovers who plan a tour of Germany (possibly as a family holiday) and need to spread a week over the whole German country or from wine lovers on a business trip to Germany and who were able to carve out a quick "touch and go" visit to the Mosel.

Visiting one or several of your favorite Estates can prove a great experience. But if you are not very often in the Mosel, it can also prove quite limiting in terms of exposure to the variety of the region.

One alternative is to visit one of the large Estates in or around Trier (i.e. the Bischöfliche Weingüter Trier and the Vereinigte Hospitien in Trier, or the von Kesselstatt Estate in Morscheid for instance). These large Estates own vineyards throughout the Mosel, Saar, and Ruwer valleys and allow you to get a great overview of the different styles and specific terroirs in one sitting.

Another option is offered by some wine shops such as the Rieslinghaus in Bernkastel. For a more than fair fee, they offer a series of wines for tasting (which may include wines from Estates which are not open to private visits such as Egon Müller or Joh. Jos. Prüm). We provide a full list of wine shops in this visiting guide and indicate when we are aware of the possibility to taste wines.

WANT TO BRING SOME BOTTLES BACK HOME?

If you come to the Mosel by plane and want to bring some bottles back home from your trip (something we all want to do when we travel to a wine region), you have to bear in mind that you will not be allowed to take these bottles as hand luggage into the plane. These will have to be checked in and travel in the baggage hold. So there are two things to which you should pay attention:

- Have your bottles well wrapped in to avoid any problems during the travel, ideally in polystyrene boxes or at least in special wine shipping boxes, and if possible put these in your own baggage.
- Airlines often charge extra money (and this can be quite expensive) for additional baggage or weight. Check especially the maximum bag weight you are allowed to take with your regular ticket (especially if you fly with no-frills airlines).



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