

TRY IT OUT ON THE HEN.

Passing judgement on wine is a highly-skilled calling - and professional wine-tasters are a proud race. One hates to shatter that pride by telling them that in Germany their job is being done by chickens! Wuerzburg Wine Institute have evolved this novel method of testing the purity of the local vintage, to make sure that insecticides used on the grapes don't find their way into the wine. And believe it or not, these hens are infallible connoisseurs.

Their delicate livers are very sensitive to impurities in the wine, so after a chicken has drunk her full, a blood test indicates at once whether anything's gone wrong.

All highly scientific - but the hens couldn't care less. They only know it's an advantage to be chicken-livered!