

## Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese 2012




### Producer

The famous wine estate Joh. Jos. Prüm was founded in 1911 in Wehlen, on the Mosel. It is one of the most unique white wine producers in Germany.

### Vintage report

2012 in our part of the Mosel was marked by overall rather cool weather throughout much of the year, with some warmer episodes, but no real extremes. By mid-October Prüm was still expecting a predominately “Kabinett vintage”, one with moderate ripeness and rather high acidity. However, summer-like weather surprised us at the end of October and our wait to harvest paid off. The sunny days pushed the ripening in the vineyards tremendously and harvest lasted until November 17th. The vintage was then “crowned” by the possibility to produce an Eiswein on December 12, in Graacher Himmelreich!

### Characteristics

-  floral in the nose with sorts of raspberry, mint and white flowers
-  elegant, yellow peach flavor, finishes complex and long
-  Asian cuisine, dessert wine

### Facts

- Grape Variety** Riesling
- Terroir** Graacher Himmelreich (“Kingdom of heaven in the village of Grach) faced more westwards, little less steep and deeper soils than Wehlener Sonnenuhr, weather-beaten grey slate soil with good water reservoirs
- Appellation** Mosel
- Vinifikation** Grapes picked by hand, predominantly single pale, fermentation in stainless steel tanks with wild yeast.

<b>Alcohol</b>
9 %vol

### Award

- 96 points The Fine Wine Review
- 93 points Wine & Spirits
- 92 points Stephen Tanzer

