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Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese

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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

After a mild and humid winter, April was dry and hot with temperatures up to 25 °C [77 °F]. The sunny days and humid soils caused an early budbreak by mid of April and flowering started at the end of May. In August and September temperatures were rather cool, so the ripening process slowed down. Finally, harvest time in October and November offered perfect conditions: very healthy and aromatic grapes were picked during cool temperatures and dry weather. Only little botrytis affected the grapes, so a small quantity of BA and TBA could be harvested. Icewine was produced in the Graacher Himmelreich in December.

Characteristics

Rich, yet elegant, very refined and not at all “fat” Mosel Riesling Auslese. Beautiful good interplay between fruity and floral flavors, a fine acidity and vibrant minerality. Great ageing potential.

Facts

Grape Variety	Riesling
Terroir	Name of vineyard: Graacher Himmelreich („Kingdom of heaven“ in the village of Graach) Size: approx. 185 acres Vines/acre: approx. 2.600 Soil: Weather-beaten grey slate Exposure: south-southwest
Appellation	Mosel
Vinifikation	Grapes picked by hand, predominantly single pale, fermentation in stainless steel tanks with wild yeast.



Alcohol
7.5 %vol

Award

95 points The Fine Wine Review
94 points Wine Enthusiast
93 points Wine Spectator
91 points Robert Parker

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