

Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Spätlese 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

-  vanilla and peach flavors, wet stone
-  fleshy, great depth, honey and lemon in the finish
-  salads, white meat, fish dishes, spicy dishes

Facts

Grape Variety	Riesling
Terroir	Graacher Himmelreich vineyard (“Kingdom of heaven in the village of Grach”), weather-beaten grey slate soil south-southwest exposure
Appellation	Mosel
Vinifikation	Predominantly single pale. Fermentation in stainless steel with wild yeast.

Alcohol
9 %vol

Award

- 95 points The Fine Wine Review
- 94 points Wine Enthusiast
- 91 points Stephen Tanzer
- 17/20 points Jancis Robinson

