

Bernkasteler Badstube Riesling Spätlese 2018




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

Grapes in the Mosel looked picture-perfect at harvest! Volume estimates were satisfying, especially as there had been roughly a third less the previous year. Drought and heat as well as the fear of hailstorms and heavy rain had kept growers anxious. There was indeed rain and the odd thunderstorm in the Middle Mosel but the number one topic everywhere was above all the drought. As in the other regions, vine development was well ahead of the average and picking started as early as August for the early-ripening varieties and mid-September for Riesling. The rain in September, thanks to the cool nights did not lead to rot, increased the yield and contributed to the remarkable harvest volumes. The Mosel wines of 2018 are characterized by their rich aroma, harmonious structure with moderate acidity levels and elegant, juicy fruit.

Characteristics

-  yellow and white stonefruits
-  lighter than Graacher, fine minerality, great length
-  Asian and Indian dishes, spicy food, dessert wine with hearty cheese

Facts

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| Grape Variety | Riesling |
| Terroir | Bernkasteler Badstube vineyards border on Graacher Himmelreich, but Badstube is more westwards and less steep; consequently the vines face less sun in the morning and they are lighter in the taste; weather-beaten grey slate soil |
| Appellation | Mosel |
| Vinifikation | grapes are all hand-picked, predominantly single pale, fermentation with wild yeast |



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