

Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese 2013




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 long winter and rather cool and wet spring, June started to bring more sunshine, and flowering happened around mid-June. Mosel enjoyed a beautiful, warm and dry summertime in July and August, which developed the ripening very positively. September, again, was only average in temperatures, so the ripening continued rather slowly. When picking started on October 23rd, all vineyards had been affected by botrytis. At record speed, harvest was finished on November 11th. All grapes harvested had such high Oechsle levels and beautiful botrytis, that this turned out to be a truly special Auslese vintage.

Characteristics

-  snappy flavors of green apple and grapefruit
-  broad-textured, supported by a fresh acidity
-  Asian spicy 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.

Alcohol
8 %vol

Award

- 94 points The Fine Wine Review
- 93 points Wine Spectator
- 93 points Le Pen Magazine
- 92 points Vinous
- 92 points Wine Enthusiast



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