

## Berncasteler Doctor Riesling Spätlese 2017




### Producer

The Thanisch estate is currently in the hands of Sophia Thanisch, who is holding up the wine growing tradition in the 11th family generation. The focus is solely on Riesling from vineyards in Bernkastel, Mosel. Some of the vines are still original ungrafted rootstocks, which explains their great rapture at the wine lists in famous restaurants over the world.

### Vintage report

March was very warm with summerlike temperatures causing a very early bud break. April 20th severe frost with temperatures down to – 5 degrees Celsius destroyed many buds and leaves. However, during flowering the weather was dry and led to good development of the grapes. Changing weather of rain and sun caused botrytis and led to a very early harvest (Sep.25th). Due to the frost the yield was cut tremendously, but led to high quality and very pure, elegant classic Mosel wines.

### Characteristics

-  fine fruit aromas
-  creamy fruit notes, high minerality, complex aftertaste
-  chilled served with spicy dishes, solo

### Facts

Grape Variety	Riesling
Terroir	Berncasteler Doctor, devon slate soil, very steep (60%) slope, facing south south-west "sun-spoilt", not-grafted rootstocks
Appellation	Mosel
Vinifikation	handpicked and several times selected, spontaneous fermented, aged in oak barrels



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