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Berncasteler Doctor Riesling Spätlese

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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 wet but warm and we had an early bud break. In May some rather cold and frosty days caused late flowering. The summer was very hot and dry and towards the end of July heavy rainfalls followed by cool days in September. Harvest started on September 30th with almost daily rain. A strict selection was necessary which resulted in a 30% less crop than last year but with high quality grapes and an appealing acidity.

Characteristics

-  fresh, slate soil aroma
-  hint of exotic fruits, tight acidity, sweetness in the back
-  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", non-grafted rootstocks
Appellation	Mosel
Vinifikation	handpicked and several times selected, spontaneous fermented, aged in oak barrels



Alcohol	Residual Sugar	Acidity
8.5 %vol	83 g/l	8.1 g/l

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