

DR. LOOSEN 2021 Erdener Treppchen Riesling GG Alte Reben

A sleek and refined dry Riesling from 100-year-old, ungrafted vines in the red slate soil of the "little staircase" vineyard.

The Erdener Treppchen vineyard produces wines that are muscular and complex, with an intense mineral finish. Grosses Gewächs (GG) simply means "great growth" and is the designation for an estate's best dry wine from a Grosse Lage (grand cru) vineyard. From a parcel of extremely old vines ("alte Reben"), this wine was kept on the full lees for a year before bottling. The extended maturation time allows the wine to develop greater texture and a natural harmony.

ABOUT DR. LOOSEN

Dr. Loosen is one of the most highly acclaimed wine estates in the world. In the family for over 200 years, Ernst "Erni" Loosen assumed ownership in 1988 and quickly propelled the reputation of Dr. Loosen into the highest echelon of Germany's finest producers. With a focus on the old, ungrafted vines the estate owns in some of the Mosel valley's best-rated vineyards, the wines clearly express their cool-climate origins through environmentally sensitive viticulture, strict harvest selection and gentle cellar practices.

THE 2021 VINTAGE

The year 2021 proved to be a stark contrast to the recent climate trend, because it was considerably cooler and wetter than the previous six years. This contrast led to challenges in the vineyard that had us working hard until the very last day, but it was all worth it. Our Rieslings shine with fine fruit, wonderful slate minerality and a pronounced raciness, which are all elements of a classic Mosel vintage and one that is already proving itself to be quite pleasurable to drink. We are also seeing a potential for the wines to develop in the cellar for guite some time.

[94-96] Wine Advocate

"The palate is round and playful, almost silky and very elegant, leading to an intense and sustainably saline and tangy finish with fine grip and good tension." August 2022

[93] Wine Enthusiast

"Bright and floral, and although very graceful, this has a lot of substance, featuring notes of wet stone and allspice. Bracing acidity links it all together, providing a firm backbone." - August/September 2023

TECHNICAL INFO

Grape Variety: 100% Riesling Soil Type: Red Devonian slate

Age of Vines: Over 100 years; on original rootstocks

Viticulture: Sustainable

Vinification: Fermented with indigenous yeasts in traditional 1,000-liter Fuder casks; matured on the

full lees for 12 months; no bâtonnage

Alcohol: 12.5%

Residual Sweetness: 9.0 grams/liter Total Acidity: 9.0 grams/liter

UPC: 183103000341

NUTRITION INFO

Calories: 112 per serving (5 oz.)

Carbohydrate & Sugar: 1.3 grams per serving

Fat & Cholesterol: None Sustainably Grown Pesticide & Herbicide Free

GMO Free

Gluten Free Vegan

Medium Sweet