



## LOUSEN BROS. 2021 Dr. L Riesling “Gray Slate”

**This sibling of the classic Dr. L Riesling captures the brilliant, mineral character of the Mosel in a versatile off-dry style.**

This wine is a very food-friendly alternative to the regular Dr. L bottling. It is produced in the off-dry “feinherb” style, making it extremely versatile with a broad range of dishes. It is a bright, vibrant, fruit-driven wine made with grapes from contracted growers throughout the Mosel River valley who work very closely with brothers Ernst and Thomas Loosen to achieve excellent quality and superb concentration in every vintage.

### ABOUT THE 2021 VINTAGE

After six consecutive hot and dry years, 2021 proved to be a stark contrast to this trend, as it was considerably cooler and moister. The year began with intensely cold weather. So cold, in fact, that on January 11 we were able to harvest the last grapes of the 2020 vintage for Eiswein. Fortunately, we were spared from the spring frost damage that caused severe losses in some European wine-growing regions. In the end we were totally satisfied. “2021 parallels previous vintages that were characterized by a long and cool ripening period,” said our cellarmaster, Berni Schug, “which leads to a classically elegant abundance of fruit aromas as well as modest alcohol levels; this you can only find on the Mosel!”

### ABOUT LOUSEN BROS.

Loosen Bros. (“Gebrüder Loosen” in German), is Ernst Loosen, of the renowned Dr. Loosen estate, and his younger brother, Thomas. Together, the brothers work with small growers throughout the Mosel region to source fruit for the wines, which are vinified by the same highly skilled cellar team that produces the Dr. Loosen estate wines. Very strict quality standards require that the growers improve their viticulture in order to sustainably grow the healthy, perfectly ripe fruit that Ernst and Thomas want for these wines.

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### TECHNICAL INFO

**Appellation:** Mosel, Germany

**Viticulture:** Sustainable, according to strict German environmental regulations for agriculture.

**Harvest:** Clean, healthy fruit that meets strict requirements for minimum and maximum ripeness, as well as optimal acidity.

**Vinification:** Pressed immediately; natural settling and clarification; fermentation in stainless steel. No malolactic fermentation.

**Alcohol:** 10.5%

**Residual Sweetness:** 22.7 grams/liter

**Total Acidity:** 8.4 grams/liter

**UPC:** 183103000617

### NUTRITION INFO

**Calories:** 103 per serving (5 oz.)

**Carbohydrate & Sugar:** 3.3 grams per serving

**Fat & Cholesterol:** None

**All Natural**

**Sustainably Grown**

**Pesticide & Herbicide Free**

**GMO Free**

**Gluten Free**

**Nut Free**

**Vegan**

