



DR. LOOSEN 2021 Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese

An endlessly energizing late-harvest Riesling from a selection of botrytis-affected grapes harvested in the "sundial" vineyard.

This precipitously steep, rocky vineyard consistently yields some of the most elegant and sophisticated white wines in the world. Auslese [OWS-lay-zuh] means "selected from the harvest," and is a luscious sweet wine made from very ripe clusters that are about 50 percent affected by botrytis. The resulting wine is dense, intensely flavored and rich on the palate, but retains the elegant structure that is characteristic of this great site.

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 quite some time.

[93-94] Wine Advocate

"Shows a concentrated yet refined and spicy bouquet. Lush and refined on the textured palate, with remarkable precision, finesse and fine botrytis flavors as well as a precise and sharp acidity." — August 2022

TECHNICAL INFO

Grape Variety: 100% Riesling Soil Type: Blue Devonian slate Age of Vines: Over 100 years; on original rootstocks Viticulture: Sustainable Vinification: Fermented in stainless steel; fermentation stopped by chilling Alcohol: 8.0% Residual Sweetness: 70.3 grams/liter Total Acidity: 9.1 grams/liter UPC: 183103000150 (750ml); 183103000303 (375ml)

[93] Wine Enthusiast

"It is medium bodied and complex, with a juicy finish that shows grand allure." — December 2023

NUTRITION INFO

Calories: 111 per serving (5 oz.) Carbohydrate & Sugar: 10.4 grams per serving Fat & Cholesterol: None Sustainably Grown Pesticide & Herbicide Free GMO Free Gluten Free Vegan THIS RIESLING IS: THIS RIESLING IS: