



ZILLIKEN 2020 Bockstein Riesling Kabinett

A juicy and delicate Riesling that captures the exotic fruit character of the justly famous Ockfener Bockstein vineyard.

This sleek Riesling Kabinett embodies the Bockstein site perfectly. The scent of red currant, with delicate herbal aromas of mint and lemon balm, seduces the nose. The wine glazes the palate with the coolness of elegant spice and smoky notes, weaved together with cassis and ripe star fruit. In the finish, the wine remains delicately saline on the tongue. A vibrating acidity binds the individual pieces together into a beautiful lycohesive whole, lingering into a long, ethereal finish.

THE ZILLIKEN ESTATE

Weingut Zilliken is one of the leading wine estates of the Saar region in Germany. Renowned for the steely precision of their Rieslings grown in the very cool climate and slate soils of the area, the Zilliken estate built its reputation with intense, yet delicate and nearly weightless Rieslings that “float like a butterfly.” The Zilliken family traces its wine-growing tradition back to 1742. Since then, their winemaking philosophy has always been to carefully preserve the potential that the wine carries within itself. Their greatest effort is in the vineyards, and their approach in the cellar is traditional and simple, with fermentation, clarification and maturation all happening naturally in old Fuder casks.

THE 2020 VINTAGE

We had many reasons to be thankful in 2020: In the winter, our groundwater reserves were replenished through sufficient rainfall. In the spring, the vineyards were spared late frosts and hailstorms. In the hot summer, our topsoil and cover crops once again proved their worth, ensuring that the vines had access to moisture and nutrients. On September 21, earlier than ever before, we started our harvest. Thanks to healthy grapes and gentle processing, the 2020 vintage offers accessible and animating estate wines, as well as precise, elegant, and profound Grosse Lage wines with excellent aging potential. The typical lightness of the Saar!

[93] James Suckling

“What a complex filigree wine! Tons of nectarine, herbal and chamomile aromas. So straight and pure that you forget that this has quite some natural grape sweetness. Very fresh, wet-stone finish. Drink or hold.” – June 2021

[91] Mosel Fine Wines

“Reveals some juicy yet round notes of yellow, smooth, and velvety fruits on the palate and leaves a long finish with satisfying focus and precision. The aftertaste is nicely spicy, herbal, and light-weighted.” – July 2021

TECHNICAL INFO

Grape Variety: 100% Riesling
Alcohol: 8.0%
Residual Sweetness: 58.0 grams/liter
Total Acidity: 7.6 grams/liter
Total Production: 108 cases
UPC: 810404021279

NUTRITION INFO

Calories: 103 per serving (5 oz.)
Carbohydrate & Sugar: 8.6 grams per serving
Fat & Cholesterol: None
Sustainably Grown
Pesticide & Herbicide Free
GMO Free
Gluten Free
Vegan

