



DR. LOOSEN 2022 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Auslese

A gorgeous, nobly sweet and cellar-worthy Riesling, made from a special selection of botrytis-affected clusters.

The German word Auslese [pronounced OWS-lay-zuh] means “selected from the harvest,” and is a luscious, limited-production sweet wine made from very ripe clusters that are about 50 percent affected by botrytis (in the red picking bucket, above). The wine is dense, intensely flavored and rich on the palate, but balanced by Riesling’s naturally crisp acidity and the muscular structure that comes from the red slate soil of the Erdener Treppchen vineyard.

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 2022 VINTAGE

The 2022 growing season in the Middle Mosel was characterized by a warm spring, intense summer heat, and a severe drought that persisted from June to September. Overall, average must weights in 2022 were a bit lower than in recent years, leading Cellar Master, Berni Schug, to declare, “It’s a Kabinett year!” Nevertheless, through quick action and über-meticulous harvest selection, we brought in excellent quality fruit. The summer heat left us with slightly lower acidity levels, but it is exceptionally well-integrated and beautifully complements the delicate nature of the vintage.

TECHNICAL INFO

Grape Variety: 100% Riesling
Soil Type: Red 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: 79.1 grams/liter
Total Acidity: 8.5 grams/liter
UPC: 183103000136 (750ml);
 183103000303 (375ml)

NUTRITION INFO

Calories: 116 per serving (5 oz.)
Carbohydrate & Sugar: 11 grams per serving
Fat & Cholesterol: None
Sustainably Grown
Pesticide & Herbicide Free
GMO Free
Gluten Free
Vegan

