

# DR. LOOSEN 2022 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 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.

### [97] James Suckling

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"Intensely spicy and flinty nose. Great wet stone minerality and herbal intensity at the extremely long focused finish."

— Stuart Pigott, 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: 8.9 grams/liter

Total Acidity: 7.6 grams/liter UPC: 183103000341

## **NUTRITION INFO**

Calories: 111 per serving (5 oz.)

Carbohydrate & Sugar: 1.3 grams per serving

Fat & Cholesterol: None
Sustainably Grown

Pesticide & Herbicide Free

GMO Free Gluten Free Vegan

