

# FRITZ HAAG 2022 Estate Riesling

## Made in the off-dry "feinherb" style, this joyful estate Riesling is a delightful introduction to the brilliant wines of Fritz Haag.

The Fritz Haag Estate Riesling is harvested from steep, slate-soil vineyards in the winery's home village of Brauneberg and in the neighboring village of Mühlheim. It is made in a slightly off-dry style (called "feinherb" in German) that perfectly balances its fine peach and citrus fruit with the typically brisk acidity of Riesling grown in this cool-climate region. This makes it a very refreshing choice to serve as an aperitif, with salty appetizers, or as a partner for lighter vegetable dishes.

#### THE FRITZ HAAG ESTATE

The Fritz Haag estate is a historic family winery that dates back to 1605. The Haag family farms 29 hectares (72.5 acres) of vineyards in the heart of the Mosel Valley. They produce only Riesling, covering the full style spectrum, from dry to lusciously sweet. A intense "slate" character and a pronounced, fruity acidity give the wines their elegant sophistication and their great aging potential. The estate's graceful, well-defined Rieslings are universally lauded as examples of the finest wines the Mosel region has to offer.

### THE 2022 VINTAGE

Extreme dryness across the summer months, followed by variable weather in autumn, presented massive challenges and demanded steady nerves during the 2022 growing season. Young vines struggled in the intense heat, yet the older vines proved their resilience. In spite of the immense heat on the stony slate soils, their roots effortlessly reached deeper layers of earth with sufficient water. As challenging as the 2022 vintage was, the extraordinary quality of the wines shows that our many labors were worth it. Our Rieslings are already impressing us with concentrated fruit, yet also a certain lightness and fine elegance of massive promise.

#### [91] James Suckling

"A wonderfully youthful and joyfully aromatic Mosel Riesling with all the floral charm we associate with the region. Barely off-dry with a freshness that makes you glad to be alive!" — Stuart Pigott, September 2023

#### [89] Wine Spectator

"Glides along nicely, with good focus, offering mineral intensity that carries the medium-length finish, marked by lime oil and smoke." — June 2024

#### [89] Wine Enthusiast

"Alluring notes of quince and roasted pineapple mark this crunchy white with, vibrant acidity providing support and keeping this focused on the finish." — May 2024

#### **TECHNICAL INFO**

**Grape Variety: 100% Riesling** 

Vineyard Sources: Brauneberg, Mühlheim

Alcohol: 11.0%

Residual Sweetness: 17.3 grams/liter

Total Acidity: 8.1 grams/liter
Total Production: 2,800 cases

**UPC:** 810404020012

#### **NUTRITION INFO**

Calories: 104 per serving (5 oz.)
Carbs & Sugar: 2.6 grams per serving

Fat & Cholesterol: None
Pesticide & Herbicide Free

GMO Free Gluten Free Vegan