

Highlights from the Press – Maximin Grünhaus 2022

View from the Cellar — Reviewed by John Gilman—

"The generous handful of wines I tasted from Maximin Grünhaus in this vintage were all outstanding and it seems pretty clear that the estate has had one of its strongest vintages in quite some time. Special mention should go out to the 2022 Abtsberg Riesling Superior bottling, which is essentially a Grosses Gewächs bottling from this magical terroir, but with a bit more residual sugar to perfectly pinpoint the balance in the wine." *August 2024*

WHITE WINES



Maximin Grünhäus Maximin Riesling 2022

[89] Wine Spectator

A tasty version, with a zing of lemon and lime acidity coursing through honeyed apple, sun tea, warm hay and herb notes. Supple and drinking well right now. *June 2024*

[89] Decanter By Clive Pursehouse

Stony and flinty aromatics are given over to notes of citrus zest and white flowers. The palate is redolent with tropical and stone fruits, zippy acidity, and notes of grilled pineapple depth, offering a simple sipping pleasure. *March 2024*

[89] James Suckling

A juicy and succulent glass of Mosel Riesling with plenty of fruit salad character. Crisp appely acidity and good substance. Slightly rustic finish. *August 2023*

[87] Wine Enthusiast

Soft and silky, with charming floral and fruit elements backed by impressive acidity. Green apple and kiwi linger on the finish. *May 2024*

[86] Mosel Fine Wines

It has an attractive nose of apricot, yellow peach, a hint of mango, strawberry, and orange zest. The wine is slightly smooth and juicy on the light-weighted and delicate palate. It also shows some aromatic ripeness on the palate (William's pear, yellow peach, and apricot) and leaves a nicely light finish. *June 2023*



Maximin Grünhäus Schloss Riesling Trocken 2022

[91] James Suckling

Enticing nose of white peach and yellow apple with herbal and wildflower nuances. Leaps and bounds over your palate, the acidity very crisp, but delightfully so thanks to the wonderful juiciness. Long and sleek finish with a hint of rhubarb. *August 2023 June 2023*

[90] Wine Spectator

Shows impressive cut for a Kabinett, with a firm mineral spine and mouthwatering acidity that drives energy and length. Offers lemon and lime flavors up front, with citrus zest and floral highlights — jasmine and honeysuckle — all grounded by smoke and crushed flint notes. *June 2024*

[90] Decanter By Clive Pursehouse

This entry-level bottling balances a small amount of residual sweetness (less than nine grams per liter) with vibrant acidity — aromatics of crushed limestone, lime zest and crushed oyster shells. Grünhaus only has Grosse Lage sites, so this is a 'Gutswein' of the highest degree. *March* 2024

[88] Wine Enthusiast

Offers aromas of green peach, with flavors of lime and gooseberry. Intense acidity behind the dried green herbal accents, leads to a crackling finish. *May 2024*



Maximin Grünhäus Grünhäuser Riesling 2022

[94] James Suckling

Such an exciting dry Riesling with a complex nose of garden and wild herbs and a wealth of berry notes. Stunning balance of intensely mineral acidity and delicate fruit on the simultaneously structured and beautifully balanced palate. Very long and focused stony finish. *August 2023*

[89] Wine Enthusiast

Very zesty, with vibrant notes of Fuji apple, red peach and Asian pear flavors that feature a silky texture. The finish echoes with cream and spice nuances. This needs a little more time to free itself. *May 2024*



Maximin Grünhäus Pinot Blanc 2022

[91] James Suckling

Attractive nose of fresh nuts and generous body are married to a delightful creaminess, the touch of oak deftly complementing this. Impressive depth for this far north! Long finish with a touch of melted butter character. *August 2023*

[90] Wine Enthusiast

Fresh and lively, offering vivid flavors of Bosc pear and green apple, with hints of mineral and floral combining in a distinctive package. Lovely effort. *May 2024*

[90] Mosel Fine Wines

It presents a beautifully refined and spicy nose of fresh herbs, smoke, bergamot, grapefruit, hot spices, and lime. The wine proves superbly structured and animating on the superbly spicy. The finish is clean and refined with freshness and energy. What a beautiful Pinot Blanc. *June 2023*



Maximin Grünhäus Schloss Riesling Kabinett 2022 [87] Wine Enthusiast

Candied berry and citrus notes mark this Riesling, which starts out fresh and almost fizzy, and turns sweet midpalate. *May 2024*



Maximin Grünhäus Herrenberg Riesling Kabinett 2022 [95] *James Suckling*

The ravishingly beautiful Riesling Kabinett wants you to keep smelling its aromas of red-fleshed vineyard peach, red apple and fresh thyme. Still very youthful, but that only adds to the charm. Great balances of ripeness and mountain freshness, the stunning finish as bright as it is silky. *August 2023*

[93] Wine & Spirits

The Herrenberg is the von Schubert estate's largest holding. The vineyard has a myriad of microclimates, and the Kabinett is selected from the cooler portion of the site. This wine shows a compelling spectrum of prickly pears and tea — truly an ideal sushi wine. *March 2024*

[92] Wine Spectator

Distinctive and delicious, showing green apple, lychee and roasted agave flavors flecked with notes of chamomile, green herbs and white pepper. This white's sweetness is well integrated on the densely packed palate through the creamy, lingering and energetic finish. *June 2024*

[92] Mosel Fine Wines

Develops a complex and herbal nose of green pepper, minty herbs, thyme, vineyard peach, and almond. The wine coats the palate with juicy and ripe flavors of peach and pear. The finish has more freshness as spicy and herbal elements come through. This combines riper elements with the fresh notes typical of Grünhaus. *June 2023*

[90] Wine Enthusiast

Ripe and creamy, with a vibrant structure, this offers flavors of apricot and lime, with a hint of anise. Well-structured and intense, just finishing on the coarse side. Give it some time to shine. *May 2024*



Maximin Grünhäus Herrenberg Riesling Superior 2022 [95] James Suckling

Peachy can sound a bit obvious, but this remarkable, barely off-dry Riesling is peachy (white and yellow) in the most subtle sense. Fabulous silky texture with stunning integration of wet stone minerality with delicate creaminess from lees contact. Very refined, long finish that makes you want to forget the world and its troubles. *August 2023*

[93] Mosel Fine Wines

Offers a very pure and herbal nose of gooseberry, cassis leaf, lime tree, honeysuckle, lavender, and blackberry. The wine proves light-weighted yet slightly rich on the fruity on the structured and intense palate. The finish is very long and smoky and leaves a more dryish sensation. This is very impressive. *June 2023*



Maximin Grünhäus Herrenberg Riesling Spätlese 2022 [94] James Suckling

This beautiful Spätlese is packed with the finest stone fruit aromas and has the uplifting freshness and subtly we look for in this category. Frankly off-dry, but so refreshing at the very long, straight finish. *August 2023*

[94] Mosel Fine Wines

Gradually develops a very herbal and fresh nose of smoke, anise, rosemary, pink grapefruit, mint, cassis leaf, and flint. The wine is superbly well balanced on the palate, as a mix of fresh orchard fruits, herbal, and spicy elements give a lot of liveliness to the wine. The finish is beautifully long and focused. *June 2023*



Maximin Grünhäus Abtsberg Riesling Kabinett 2022 [95] James Suckling

A prototypical Riesling Kabinett with a stunning interplay of white tree fruits, some red berries and fresh herbs with a brilliant mineral acidity that makes you feel glad to be alive. Super-long finish that's radically refreshing. And yes, there is some unfermented grape sweetness in there, but it is way in the background. *August 2023*

[94+] View from the Cellar

The wine is beautifully expressive on the nose, wafting from the glass in a complex blend of pear, fresh lime, a lovely array of cress-like Abtsberg botanicals, slate, wild yeasts, citrus blossoms and a topnote of freshculled mint. On the palate the wine is bright, fullish and complex, with a lovely core of fruit, moderate sweetness, bright acids and fine mineral undertow defining the long, poised and beautifully balanced finish. This is an excellent Kabinett. *Reviewed by John Gilman. August 2024*

[93] Mosel Fine Wines

Quick to develop a most beautiful and attractive nose of whipped almond cream, vineyard peach, Conference pear, jasmine, lavender, and thyme. The wine is packed with citrusy fruits as well as creamy elements of pear and almond. The finish is precise and pure as plenty of zesty elements give a focused side to the wine. What a playful Kabinett. *June 2023*

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A pale crystalline color greets you with attractive aromas of petrol on the entry. Juicy peach and apple blossoms fill in the core along with a delicate minerality and flint tones along the edges. There is a savoriness to the wine that is immediately attractive, pulling all elements together. The racy acidity pushes the wine into a long and graceful finish. *August 2024 – Reviewed by W Peter Hoyne*



Maximin Grünhäus Abtsberg Riesling Superior 2022 [96] James Suckling — Top 100 Wines of Germany 2023 (#95)— — Top 100 Value Wines of 2023 (#42)—

Try to be patient for this marathon runner who has barely left the starting line. Extremely slatey and flinty nose. Only minerals and yeast on the extremely youthful palate, this is still in an embryonic stage of development. However, with aeration in the glass wild berry and herb aromas slowly open up. Enormous structure and potential. *August 2023*

[95] Mosel Fine Wines

A beautifully complex and delicate nose of white flowers, whipped almond cream, lavender, cassis, bergamot, and spicy elements. The wine is full of liveliness and energy on the layered and refined palate. The finish is vibrating and dynamic with a very pure and sensational precision. *June 2023*

[94] View from the Cellar

Offering up a superb aromatic constellation of tart pear, lime, beautiful botanicals, fresh mint, a complex base of grey slate, wild yeasts, a hint of petrol and a nice touch of lavender in the upper register. On the palate the wine is bright, full-bodied and quite dry in profile, with a lovely core of fruit, excellent soil signature, zesty acids and lovely length and grip on the complex and impeccably balanced finish. The slightly higher residual sugar here than in the Grosses Gewächs does not make the wine seem appreciably sweeter in style, but rather, simply seems to give the wine even a bit more mid-palate volume. This is an outstanding wine that is certainly tasty right now, but I suspect that even more precision and detail will emerge on the palate with some extended bottle age. *Reviewed by John Gilman. August 2024*

[91] Wine Spectator

A complex, well-crafted version, with good range and energy. Salt and mineral notes simmer underneath a layer of quince, apple and lemon curd flavors, while a hint of honeyed almond adds richness to the long, well-cut finish. *June 2024*

[90] Wine Enthusiast

Invigorating, firm and savory, with pure-tasting and mineral-infused flavors of green apple, peach and ripe citrus. Dried herbal notes linger on the lushly spiced finish. *May 2024*



Maximin Grünhäus Abtsberg Riesling Spätlese 2022 [95] Wine & Spirits

This is a crystalline expression of Spätlese, with the focus of a Grosses Gewächs and enough sugar to round out the palate. This wine is draped on the sweetness of tropical fruit and scent of elderflowers. *March* 2024

[95] James Suckling

A great Riesling Spätlese that makes it clear why this category has not disappeared in spite of the rise of dry German Riesling. Concentrated peachy fruit is married to excellent structure and the balance of the touch of natural grape sweetness with wet stone minerality and crisp acidity is dazzling. Very long and vibrant finish. *August 2023*

[94+] Mosel Fine Wines

Slowly reveals a captivating nose of wild herbs, lavender, almond, candied lime, anise, and lime tree. The wine is superbly playful and engaging. The mid-palate still shows some creamy sweetness in need of integration, yet the finish is already pure and vibrating. What a splendid Spätlese. *June 2023*

[94] Decanter By Clive Pursehouse

Keeps a lively energy throughout, with aromas of smoky flint predominating notes of cardamom spice, white pepper and citrus blossoms. The palate is a deliverance of ripe, fruity opulence and delicately balanced sweet peaches, honeyed apricots and candied ginger. A significant surge of freshness and lively acidity finishes the wine wonderfully. *March 2024*

[93] View from the Cellar

The youthful bouquet offers up scents of pear, white cherry, wild yeasts, a touch of Abtsberg mossiness, lilacs, fresh mint and a beautiful base of slate. On the palate the wine is bright, medium-full, filigreed and still fairly primary in its expressiveness, with a lovely core, an excellent mineral foundation, zesty acids and fine focus and balance on the long and very promising finish. *Reviewed by John Gilman. August 2024*

[92] Wine Enthusiast

This is ripe, offering notes of apricot, licorice and spice, but it's backed by mouth-watering acidity, which helps it stay persistent through the lingering aftertaste. It is tasty, but needs time to fully integrate. *May 2024*



Maximin Grünhäus Herrenberg Riesling GG 2022

[96] James Suckling

Stunning nose of white peach and white flowers, then, with aeration in the glass, a wealth of wild berry and herb aromas unfurl. Superconcentrated and super-focused this is as juicy as it is brilliant. Extremely long finish with great purity and the whole composition feels almost as light as a cloud. August 2023

[94] Wine & Spirits

The Herrenberg's red slate runs under deep topsoil, a confluence that helps retain water in dry vintages such as 2022. Out of the gate, the wine vibrates with tropical fruit notes that meet their savory match with tarragon before a powerful crystalline finish. March 2024

[94] Mosel Fine Wines

Offers a superbly herbal and smoky nose, which is still a work in progress, and evolves by showing complexity with scents of anise, white pepper, candied lime, lime tree, and jasmine. The wine is full of energy and spices. It leaves a magnificently long and precise feel of herbs and zest. What a splendid dry Riesling. September 2023

[94] View from the Cellar

The wine shows excellent precision and complexity on the nose, hopping from the glass in a mix of tart pear, lime, fresh mint, cress, wild yeasts, a beautiful base of red slate minerality, lavender and incipient smokiness in the upper register. On the palate the wine is bright, fullish, complex and racy, with a lovely core of fruit, excellent mineral undertow and grip, lovely balance and a long, focused and vibrant finish. This is still a young wine, but it is so beautifully balanced that is already very easy to drink, even in the first blush of youth. Reviewed by John Gilman. August 2024

[93] Decanter By Clive Pursehouse

A wine of zest and freshness. A ripe fruit aromatic profile is accented by nectarine and peach flesh, white florals and a touch of beeswax lifted to great heights by a serious minerality. The palate is lively and jumps with bright lime pith. Candied lemon drops, laser-focused acidity around saline seaspray, and stony sheer mineral character. March 2024

[92] Wine Spectator

Inviting and silky in feel, with flavors of glazed apricot and apple gelée supported by a rock-solid foundation of mineral notes. Gains power toward the densely packed finish, which is silky and almost oily on the palate. This is svelte, gleaming and well built. June 2024

[90] Wine Enthusiast

Hints of tarragon, savory mineral and yellow apple emerge, hinting at what will this become. Concentrated mineral notes linger on the almost smoky finish. May 2024



Maximin Grünhäus Abtsberg Riesling GG 2022 [97] James Suckling — Top 100 Wines of Germany 2023 (#38)—

A gentle and precise giant that has truly extraordinary concentration for just 12% alcohol. Very ripe and very filigree, with considerable power packed into a very sleek silhouette. Super-long finish with a crystalline purity that takes your breath away. August 2023

[94+] View from the Cellar

The wine is equally focused and detailed on the nose, but shows the dramatically different signature of the grey slate in this vineyard. The bouquet delivers a superb mix of tart orange, a hint of pear, incipient notes of the white cherry that will arrive with bottle age, citrus peel, gorgeous slate minerality, just a touch of wild yeasts and a lovely array of subtle Abtsberg botanicals in the upper register. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied, focused and complex, with a rock-solid core of fruit, an excellent foundation of minerality, seamless balance and a long, youthfully complex and vibrant finish. Reviewed by John Gilman. August 2024

[93] Wine & Spirits

Hailing from Carl von Schubert's warmest site, the steep slopes close to a 70-percent incline, this wine wears its south-southwest-facing sunshine well, a balance that's challenging to achieve in a hot vintage. This focused Riesling leads with a scent of yellow tea before offering a balance of savory notes on the palate, the way peach compote might complement a savory meat course. March 2024

[93] Mosel Fine Wines

It has a delicate and flowery nose of almond cream, vineyard peach, smoke, bergamot, lily flower, and lime tree. The wine starts off on the delicately juicy and aromatic palate. However, the finish is very pure and vibrating as plenty of zesty and spicy elements join the party and give a tight and fresh feel. The aftertaste is beautifully floral and zesty. What a great dry Riesling. September 2023

[92] Wine Spectator

Concentration builds in this white, with notes of wet stone framing a core of lilac, citrus oil, honeyed pear and celery root, plus a hint of petrol. The piercing acidity is nicely offset by a subtle kiss of richness and spice notes through the clean, focused finish, which is lined with wet stone accents. Immensely drinkable. June 2024

[91] Wine Enthusiast

There is a slight fizz, even reduction to this white, yet with a beam of vibrant acidity keeping this upright and linear. An attractive dusty mineral element underneath the quince, apple and lemon flavors gives this hope. This needs more time to reveal all of its strengths. May 2024



Maximin Grünhäus Bruderberg Riesling Kabinett 2022 [94] *James Suckling*

Wonderful interplay of spring-like freshness and delicate caramelized apple in the nose. Also, a hint of dried thyme and tarragon. Incredibly vibrant palate where the touch of grape sweetness is pushed way into the background by the acidity. Long, very stony finish. *August 2023*

[90] Mosel Fine Wines

Offers a beautifully attractive and aromatic nose of candy floss, Conference pear, canned yellow peach, acacia, and smoke. It proves both well-structured and refined on the playful and nicely refreshing palate. The finish is very long and delivers fresh notes of candied citrusy fruits. What an appealing Kabinett. *June 2023*

Maximin Grünhäus Bruderberg Riesling Superior 2022 [96] James Suckling

At once deep and delightful, this is a miniature Riesling masterpiece! Astonishing nose of wild rose, Yamanashi white peach and passion fruit. Astonishing combination of underplayed power, racy acidity and the merest hint of unfermented grape sweetness. Super-clean and long finish. *August 2023*



Maximin Grünhäus Bruderberg Riesling GG 2022

[94] James Suckling

What a striking nose of wild blackberry and white peach this youthful GG has. This category sometimes suffers from its Germanically serious image, but this is joyful wine, the racy acidity already beautifully integrated with the generous fruit. Lithe and nimble on the precisely delineated, barely medium-bodied palate. Long finish with mountain stream freshness. Delightful to drink now, but excellent potential too. *August 2023*

[91] Mosel Fine Wines

It shows an appealing and aromatic nose of William's pear, yellow peach, quince, and herbs. The wine shows a quite supple and juicy side at first, yet spices and zesty elements join the party to give more freshness and interplay to the whole balance. The finish is very long, pure, and zesty, with a touch of tartness in need of integration. This is a great dry Riesling. *September 2023*



Maximin Grünhäus Herrenberg Riesling Kabinett Nr. 30 2022

[96] James Suckling

Fall has just arrived, and the wild berries are finally all ripe, the herbs still all there. So succulent, but every bit as vibrant and uplifting with a wonderful finesse at the very long, graceful and off-dry finish. *August 2023*



Maximin Grünhäus Abtsberg Riesling Kabinett Nr. 15 2022

[97] James Suckling

Diamond bright and precise this is a staggering Riesling Kabinett that shows what this vintage made possible in this category. Samurai sword sharp, but there's not the slightest hint of unripeness here. Dazzlingly bright, almost dry finish with delicate notes of all the colors of currant. *August 2023*

[95] Decanter By Clive Pursehouse

It's an ethereal wine with smoky spices, candied orange peels, and finely etched acids that end in unbelievable levity — a pure, delicate, electric wine, elegant and lithe. *March* 2024

RED WINES



Maximin Grünhaus Abtsberg Pinot Noir GG 2022

[95] Decanter

A premiere: the first time a Pinot Noir from the Mosel has been among the top class of German reds. Its dark purple color is striking. The fruit profile leans more toward plum than cherry, accompanied by notes of violet. On the palate, the ageing in the finest French wood barrels has introduced nuances of coffee and cocoa. The wine's silkiness and openness are reminiscent of Pinot Noir from the New World... It's very modern and highly polished. *October 10, 2024. Reviewed by: Caro Maurer MW*

[95] James Suckling

Concentrated and racy with a compact core of fine tannins, this proves that the can producer great pinot noirs that remain true to the region's identity as the homeland of freshness and finesse. Complex aromas of red beets, wet earth, candied oranges and baking spices. The finish is as filigreed as it is long and velvety. October 2024 – Reviewed by Stuart Pigott



Maximin Grünhäus Grünhäuser Pinot Noir 1G 2022

[94] James Suckling

Terrific dark cherry fruit that's so vibrant and precise. Medium-bodied with fine tannins that are already beautifully integrated. Very long finish that's simultaneously velvety and bright. Only a touch of spicy oak, but also red beet and licorice notes. Excellent aging potential. *October 2024 – Reviewed by Stuart Pigott*

AUCTION WINES



Maximin Grünhäus Abtsberg Riesling Kabinett Nr. 50 2022

[96] Decanter By Clive Pursehouse

Shows a deep opulence that is nearly unbelievable at the Kabinett level. Overwhelming richness of grilled peach, honeyed ginger and fleshy apricot aromas show a seductive side to the wine's sweetness. The candied ginger segues into bright spice and mint elements that offer a lip-smacking feeling of freshness on the wine's finish — a sort of tart perfection to cap off such gorgeous richness. *March 2024*

[95+] Mosel Fine Wines

Slightly reductive at first, this offers a beautifully aromatic and appealing nose of minty herbs, vineyard peach, candied grapefruit, anise, prune, cherry, and orange zest. The wine has the presence of a Spätlese on the palate as riper flavors of yellow peach, apricot, and guava kick in. The finish proves superbly long, even if still sweet at the moment. Patience is needed for this beauty to develop all its complexity and precision. *September 2023*