

ROBERT WEIL 2022 Kiedrich Gräfenberg Riesling Spätlese

A stunning late-picked Riesling that balances natural sweetness with the complexity and intensity of a Grosse Lage vineyard.

The outstanding quality of Kiedrich Gräfenberg ("Hill of the Counts") was first documented in the late 12th century. It is a steep, southwest-facing slope in a sheltered side valley of the Rheingau, with deep to medium-deep stony soil. Now classified as a Grosse Lage (grand cru vineyard), Gräfenberg is renowned for the stunning depth and complexity of its wines. Spätlese ("late-picked") is produced from very ripe grapes, without botrytis, for a wine with epic minerality, nuanced fruit aromas, and an artful balance between crisp acidity and a rich natural sweetnees.

THE ROBERT WEIL ESTATE

Founded in 1875, Weingut Robert Weil is one of the finest producers in the Rheingau region. Wilhelm Weil, the great-grandson of the estate's founder, carries on the uncompromising, quality-oriented vineyard and cellar practices that have been the hallmark of this elite estate for four generations. The Rheingau is a small section of the Rhine River valley, near the city of Mainz. Notable for steep, south-facing slopes in a protected valley along a climate-moderating river, this legendary wine region has the ideal conditions for growing ripe, full-bodied Riesling.

THE 2022 VINTAGE

Record high temperatures and Mediterranean levels of sunshine with almost no summer rain made for a challenging 2022 growing season and vintage. Despite the sunny conditions, vine development remained moderate throughout the summer as drought set in. September rains were a great relief but required meticulous work in the vineyards to mitigate disease pressure. It took courage, patience, and hard manual labor, but the resulting wines are exceptional.

[96] James Suckling

"Staggering ripeness, delicacy and purity right through the totally uplifting finish that makes you charge back for more!" — Stuart Pigott, Sept. 2023

[95] Vinous

"Just so elegant, so zesty, so beautiful, so balanced. Squeaky clean, elegant, striking and delicious."

- Anne Krebiehl, December 2023

TECHNICAL INFO

Vineyard Source: Kiedrich Gräfenberg Grosse Lage

Alcohol: 9.0%

Residual Sweetness: 68.8 grams/liter

Total Acidity: 9.3 grams/liter

Total Production: 580 cases

UPC: 4003753006455



NUTRITION INFO

Calories: 118 per serving (5 oz.)

Carbohydrate & Sugar: 10.2 grams per serving

Fat & Cholesterol: None Sustainably Grown

Pesticide & Herbicide Free

GMO Free Gluten Free Vegan