

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 greatgrandson 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

TECHNICAL INFO

Total Acidity: 9.3 grams/liter

Total Production: 580 cases UPC: 4003753006455

Dry

Residual Sweetness: 68.8 grams/liter

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

[95] Vinous

Alcohol: 9.0%

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"Just so elegant, so zesty, so beautiful, so balanced. Squeaky clean, elegant, striking and delicious." — Anne Krebiehl, December 2023

Vineyard Source: Kiedrich Gräfenberg Grosse Lage

[95] Decanter

"The palate is stunning, with a gorgeous balance of ripe richness and acid-driven elegance. Ripe, honeyed peaches, candied ginger, and a touch of just squeezed lime lift the fruit towards a finely etched acidity."

- Clive Pursehouse, April 2024

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

THIS RIESLING

Medium Dry Medium

Sweet