



# ZILLIKEN

## 2022 Bockstein Riesling Kabinett

**A juicy and delicate Riesling that captures the exotic fruit character of the justly famous Ockfener Bockstein vineyard.**

This sleek Riesling Kabinett embodies the Bockstein site perfectly. The scent of red currant, with delicate herbal aromas of mint and lemon balm, seduces the nose. The wine glazes the palate with the coolness of elegant spice and smoky notes, weaved together with cassis and ripe star fruit. In the finish, the wine remains delicately saline on the tongue. A vibrating acidity binds the individual pieces together into a beautiful lycohesive whole, lingering into a long, ethereal finish.

### THE ZILLIKEN ESTATE

Weingut Zilliken is one of the leading wine estates of the Saar region in Germany. Renowned for the steely precision of their Rieslings grown in the very cool climate and slate soils of the area, the Zilliken estate built its reputation with intense, yet delicate and nearly weightless Rieslings that “float like a butterfly.” The Zilliken family traces its wine-growing tradition back to 1742. Since then, their winemaking philosophy has always been to carefully preserve the potential that the wine carries within itself. Their greatest effort is in the vineyards, and their approach in the cellar is traditional and simple, with fermentation, clarification and maturation all happening naturally in old Fuder casks.

### THE 2022 VINTAGE

A warm summer tested the resilience of old vines in the Saar Valley as their roots had to reach profound depths to find water. Rain showers in September were a welcome reprieve from the extreme heat and drought-like conditions experienced throughout the growing season. Cool nights during harvest allowed the grapes to retain excellent freshness yielding particularly accessible, luscious, and refined Kabinetts. The wines of 2022 are fully expressive and elegant, yet weightless, as is customary for Zilliken Rieslings.

#### [94] James Suckling

*“The sliced pear fruit and tremendous mineral freshness really makes this light and extremely clean Riesling Kabinett stand out. Long super-crisp finish with so much delicate herbal complexity.” – October 2023*

#### [91] Mosel Fine Wines

*“Offers an aromatic smoky nose of herbs, aniseed, William’s pear, gooseberry, tangerine, blood orange, and spices The finish is very spicy and elegant. This is a superb Kabinett” – June 2023*

#### TECHNICAL INFO

- Grape Variety:** 100% Riesling
- Alcohol:** 7.5%
- Residual Sweetness:** 51.6 grams/liter
- Total Acidity:** 7.1 grams/liter
- Total Production:** 100 cases
- UPC:** 810404021279

#### NUTRITION INFO

- Calories:** 95 per serving (5 oz.)
- Carbohydrate & Sugar:** 7.6 grams per serving
- Fat & Cholesterol:** None
- Sustainably Grown**
- Pesticide & Herbicide Free**
- GMO Free**
- Gluten Free**
- Vegan**

