

WEINGUTWINTER

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SEKT

traditionelle Flaschengärung

DER ERSTE 100-PUNKTE-SEKT AUS DEUTSCHLAND

PURE 10 | 18 Brut Nature

100 Punkte

This breathtaking sparkling wine proves that Germany can reach the very pinnacle of this field. Incredibly complex nose of candied citrus, smoke and ancient apple varieties. Then comes the enormously concentrated palate, where the super-mineral acidity gives it a primordial energy. The finish is a kaleidoscopic image of saltiness and leesy complexity. A blend based on chardonnay with a small amount of pinot noir, with vintages from 2008 to 2015. Many of the wines matured in 500-liter wooden casks. Limited production. Bottled in October 2018 and disgorged in June 2022. From organically grown grapes. Drink or hold.



GRANDE CUVÉE 02 | 20 Brut

96 Punkte

Complex nose of candied lemons and angelica, with great garden herbs and leesy complexity. Very compact and structured with a stunning interplay of leesy creaminess and chalky minerality. Then you bathe in saltiness in the very long finish. A blend based on chardonnay and a small amount of pinot noir, with a range of vintages from 2008 to 2018. Many of the base wines matured in 500-liter wooden casks. Limited production. Bottled in February 2020 and disgorged in June 2022. From organically grown grapes. Drink or hold.

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VDP.GROSSE LAGE®

2021 KLOPPBERG Riesling GG

98 Punkte

The very youthful nose is still marked by a toasty lees character, but on the palate this has an extraordinary racy precision that makes it wonderfully uplifting in spite of the great concentration. The brilliance at the finish must be tasted to be believed. From organically grown grapes.

2020 KLOPPBERG Riesling GG

97 Punkte

Giant depth and complex with an enormous spectrum of yellow and citrus fruit, plus wild-herb and flower aromas. Fabulous balance of chalky minerality and citrusy freshness, plus lightning-strike energy that propels this over the palate at great speed. From organically grown grapes. Drinkable now, but best from 2023.

2019 KLOPPBERG Riesling GG

98 Punkte

This sleeping giant is still pretty closed (it was only just bottled). However, it already has a very distinctive reine-claude-plum note on the nose. Great concentration and ripeness are married to coolness and precision to create a seamless whole. Then comes astonishing, peppermint freshness at the spectacularly long finish.

2021 GEIERSBERG Riesling GG

97 Punkte

Breathtaking youthful vibrancy plus great depth of Mirabelle plum and wild herb aromas. Very cool and concentrated on the simultaneously juicy and focused palate. So much energy in the very long, mouthwatering and crystalline finish. From organically grown grapes.

2020 GEIERSBERG Riesling GG VDP.

95 Punkte

Intense yet delicate nose of orange blossom, mandarin orange and nectarine. Impressive concentration and structure are so neatly packed into a rather sleek package. Compact yet vibrant finish that keeps pumping out the chalky minerality. From organically grown grapes. Drinkable now, but best from 2023.

2019 GEIERSBERG Riesling GG

96 Punkte

Really complex nose of mirabelle, spices and smoke. In spite of the considerable concentration and a certain creaminess of the mid-palate, this remains elegant and has wonderful tension. The long finish has Chablis-like, chalky austerity. Excellent aging potential. Drink or hold.

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2021 LECKERBERG Riesling GG

97 Punkte

This has a dreamy lemon curd character for the challenging 2021 vintage. It also has stunning concentration, mid-palate sweetness and a radically mineral and salty finish. This dry riesling masterpiece is only just beginning to open up. From organically grown grapes.

2020 LECKERBERG Riesling GG

94 Punkte

Such ripe mirabelle and so very fresh, this is a joyful GG that leaps and bounds over the palate, in spite of its substance. But although playful on the front palate, this has a very serious side that surfaces at the finely nuanced, chalky finish. From organically grown grapes. Drinkable now, but best from 2023.

2019 LECKERBERG Riesling GG

98 Punkte

Amazing stuff! Very smoky and spicy with just a hint of funk (from long sur-lie aging in cask), this manages to balance great concentration with silky elegance. Then comes a tsunami of chalky minerality at the finish that reminds me of the greatest Chablis. Drink or hold.

VDP.AUS ERSTEN LAGEN®

2021 WESTHOFEN Riesling 1G

94 Punkte

This village wine has a striking smokiness and delicate earthiness on the nose that pulls you into the compact medium- to full-bodied palate. There's a restrained juiciness and a fine Mirabelle plum bouquet, but this is an exercise in elegance and minimalism rather than a demonstrative example of this terroir. Firm, long finish. From the Morstein GG site. From organically grown grapes.

2021 DITTELSHEIM Riesling 1G

95 Punkte

A wonderfully cool and elegant dry riesling for the Wonnegau section of Rheinhessen that reminds me of a high Gothic window. Very polished for 2021, with a crystalline purity, very fine Mirabelle plum fruit and a very long, salty finish that balances on the point of a needle. Mostly from the Kloppberg GG site. From organically grown grapes.

2020 DITTELSHEIM Riesling 1G

95 Punkte

Anyone who doubts that 2020 could achieve greatness in Germany should taste this amazing village wine. A seriously concentrated and wonderfully succulent dry riesling that just beginning to shine, but already shines so brightly! Enormous mineral freshness at the very long finish. Excellent aging potential. From organically grown grapes.

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VDP.ORTSWEIN

2022 KALKSTEIN Riesling

94 Punkte

This village-level wine has a wonderful understatement. The excellent structure and deep Mirabelle plum, yellow apple and garden herb aromas are delicate rather than domineering. Then, in the long and complete finish, the depth slowly unfurls like a flag in the wind. Stacks of chalky minerality. From organically grown grapes.

2020 DITTELSHEIM Chardonnay

93 Punkte

Chardonnay in Germany? Yes, and this explains why. Complex interplay of yeasty character with chalky minerality, restrained toasty oak and just a hint of butterscotch at the creamy finish. Climate change and a long learning process has made this impressive balance possible. From organically grown grapes..

2020 DITTELSHEIM Grauburgunder

94 Punkte

For such a ripe and extrovert dry pinot gris that's brimming with persimmon and melon character, this has wonderfully cool and animating acidity. It effortlessly lifts the full body, making it feel human in scale. Almost minty freshness at the very clean finish. From organically grown grapes.

2020 DITTELSHEIM Weissburgunder

93 Punkte

Lovely interplay of toasty oak, restrained creaminess from long sur-lie maturation and citrusy freshness. Everything fits very neatly and the delicately chalky finish pulls you back to the glass for more. From organically grown grapes.

VDP.GUTSWEIN

2022 RIESLING VDP.Gutswein

92 Punkte

The cool nose of greengage plums and spring meadows pulls you into this very well-structured, medium-bodied dry riesling. Excellent harmony in the long, delicately chalky finish. From organically grown grapes.

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