

VIEW FROM THE CELLAR

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Number Seventy-Five

Weingut Max Ferdinand Richter

2017 Mülheimer Sonnenlay "Zeppelin" QbA- Richter AP #14
Beaujolais, France

Score: 89 Points

The Zeppelin label bottling of QbA from the Sonnenlay vineyard is the estate Riesling bottling from Max Ferdinand Richter. The 2017 comes in at ten percent alcohol and is sealed under screwcap. The wine shows a lovely spiciness on the nose, offering up scents of apple, a touch of fresh pineapple, salty minerality and a topnote of lemongrass. On the palate the wine is crisp, medium-full and zesty, with lovely mineral drive, a good core and fine focus and grip on the long and bouncy finish. I would guess the residual sugar here is just over the minimum for Trocken in 2017, but it balances the good acids of the vintage perfectly and the overall impression is of a quite dry wine. Good juice.

