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2016 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Spätlese
Mosel, Germany

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Score 93 points

From the old Busslay plot in the unreconstructed (not flurbereinigt) part of the cru and picked three or four weeks after the Kabinett (according to Constantin Richter), the 2016 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Spätlese opens with an intense and concentrated bouquet that doesn't show much primary fruit aromas. Lush, piquant and elegant on the palate, this is a remarkably fine and mineral Spätlese with fine grip and stimulating salinity in the finish. The fruit is ripe, fresh, perfectly healthy and the finish stimulatingly clear, bright and salty-piquant. No botrytis at all. Bottled with roughly 70 grams of residual sugar and 7.5% alcohol. (SR)

