

Weingut Max Ferd. Richter

PROFILE

The estate of Max Ferd. Richter has been passed down from father to son for the past 300 years. The current reins are held by Dr. Dirk Richter, the 9th generation, and will eventually be passed down to his son Constantin. The estate produces world-class Rieslings from some of the most esteemed vineyards in the Mosel, and all production comes from estate holdings. Through the entire line of wines, their hallmark balance is evident in every glass.

Throughout the estate, only all-natural fertilizers, sustainable farming, and hand-harvesting are employed. Vineyards are treated as needed so in some vintages some vineyards are entirely ecological. They use pomace, compost and stall manure as fertilizers. Application is in late winter and early spring. Overall, they are trying to minimize waste, water and energy consumption.

This vineyard faces south and is situated in a former Mosel river bed. The microclimate guarantees very elegant and delicate wines that are reminiscent of a Saar-Ruwer style. This vineyard was originally planted in 1815 by Franz Ludwig Niessen, the 4th generation owner of Max Ferd. Richter and named in honor of Queen Louisa of Prussia.



SPECIFICATIONS

Wine: 2020 Veldenzer Eisenberg Riesling Alte Reben

Varietals: 100% Riesling

Appellation: Prädikatswein "Spätlese"

Location: Mosel

Exposure: South-East/South-West

Soil: Stony clay slate

Vineyard Age: 45 years

Harvest: Hand Harvested end of October 2020 at 90° Oechsle.

Vinification: Gentle crushing was followed by 3 hours maceration and subsequent gentle pressing. Temperature controlled fermentation with indigenous yeast in traditional old oak barrels (Fuders). Bottling was effected 14th July 2021.

Tasting Note: "It proves still rather backward and driven by residual scents from its spontaneous fermentation on the nose. The wine reveals not much beyond flintstone, herbs, a dash of lemon zest and fine spices on the almost dry-tasting palate. At this stage, it is only in the focused finish and, above all, in the incredibly complex and alluring aftertaste that this gorgeous off-dry wine reveals its true beauty. More citrusy fruits are joined by apple, white flowers, a hint of herbs dark spices and a great under-toned sense of tartness. This is a gorgeous off-dry wine in the making" (Mosel Fine Wines)

Food Pairings: Served as aperitif, spicy and oriental food, Sushi, cream cheeses.

Alcohol: 11.5%

Residual Sugar: 9.5 g/l

Acidity: 8.2 g/l



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