VIEW FROM THE CELLAR

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Weingut Max Ferdinand Richter

2018 Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese Mosel, Germany

Score: 93 Points

Constantin estimates that about fifteen percent of the bunches used for the Himmelreich Auslese in 2018 were affected by botrytis. The wine carries around one hundred grams of sugar this year and is superb and absolutely classical in personality, offering up a precise and vibrant bouquet of apple, pineapple salty minerality, bee pollen and a lovely topnote of citrus blossoms. On the palate the wine is fullish, pure and zesty, with a very refined profile, fine depth at the core, impressive mineral signature and a long, vibrant finish that closes with the lift of very good acidity.

