



WEHLENER SONNENUHR

vay-len-er zon-en-ooer (The Sundial of Wehlen)

This is one of the greatest vineyards in the Middle Mosel. This precipitously steep, rocky vineyard consistently yields some of the most elegant and sophisticated white wines in the world. Citrus and white peach flavors predominate when the wines are young, turning to a pure expression of the mineral soil as they age.



GROSSES GEWÄCHS (GG)

Groses Gewächs (German equivalent “Great Growth”) The GG wines represent the great potential of our dry Mosel Rieslings from Grosse Lage (Grand Cru) vineyards. All of our spontaneously-fermented Groses Gewächs wines are given a twelvemonth maturing period on the lees in old oak barrels (3000l and 1000l) before bottling. This ensures that the wine has an extra dose of elegance and structure for a long life.



BLUE SLATE AND OLD VINES



SELECTIVE HAND-PICKING HEALTHY GRAPES

BLUE SLATE SOIL

Blue slate is the most typical type of slate in the Middle Mosel. Rich in potassium, it provides vital nutrients to the vines and gives the wines a pronounced mineral edge that enhances the naturally high acidity of Riesling. In addition to the heat-retaining blue slate soil, the vineyards are characterized by incredibly steep slopes, a favorable position near the river and excellent drainage.

RATING

[96] Wine Advocate 2019 vintage

From vines planted in 1911 or earlier in the Laichen lieu-dit, Loosen’s 2019 Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling GG Alte Reben is sylphlike, highly delicate and fine in its multilayered, fruity, floral and crunchy/flinty bouquet that reveals very fine slate aromas and even salty notes. Absolutely fabulous! Silky textured, lush and generous yet highly finessed, this is an intense yet subtle, pure and minerally fresh Riesling from one of the Mosel’s finest vineyard. The finish is long, fresh, piquant and sustainably structured as well as salty. Irresistible. Tasted at the domain in September 2020.



12 MONTH ON THE LEES IN OLD OAK BARRELS