

Weingut Carl Graff – Mosel-Saar-Ruwer



Wine: 2002 Ürziger Würzgarten Riesling Spätlese
Winemaker: Ernst Loosen

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Producer: The Carl Graff estate was founded in 1860 and acquired by P.J. Valckenberg in 1969. Carl Graff estate wines and winery bottlings are made exclusively from Riesling grapes grown in the steep vineyards of the Middle Mosel, Saar and Ruwer valleys. In a joint venture with the famous Dr. Loosen estate all Graff wines from the Ürziger Würzgarten and Erdener Prälats site are made entirely by winemaker Ernst Loosen.

Region / Vineyards: The Mosel-Saar-Ruwer region (12.000 ha / 29.000 acres) with its steep south facing slopes and the stony slate soil provides the perfect microclimate for the Riesling grape.

Area of Production: The Ürziger Würzgarten (spice garden of Ürzig) with its weathered red volcanic and slate soil produces unique wines with exotic, spicy aromas and mesmerizing earthiness.

Vintage: After a long cold period in winter the growth of the shoots proceeded fast and the blossoming went very well. A wonderful summer followed with a perfect balance of rain and sunshine. A lot of rain during harvest time reduced the expectations, but the excellent suppositions the grapes had prior to harvest rewarded the vintners with a very good vintage.

Taste Profile: Like only a few other wines from the Middle Mosel, the Ürziger Würzgarten reflects the unique features of this vineyard site. A delicate spiciness combined with the typical fruity characteristic (peach of blossom) of the Riesling grape and a mouthwatering apple like acidity.

Wine Profile: Alc.by Volume: 7.2 %, residual sugar: 7.39 % (73.9 g/l), acidity: 0.95% (9.5 g/l)
 grape variety: 100 % Riesling