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GERMANY'S 2019 VINTAGE Exciting early reviews from Mosel Fine Wines!

MAXIMIN GRÜNHAUS (Ruwer/Mosel)

"A remarkably engaging collection of wines which all share the irresistible flavor profile made of blue-berried fruits, elderflower, mint, cream, and citrusy zest which has been at the core of the Estate's finest collections in the past. If one keeps in mind that the intensity and structure of the Kabinett and Spätlese bottlings make them kick at one level higher than their Prädikat, every single one of the wines is highly recommended as they will prove superb at maturity. **A major vintage at Maximin Grünhaus!**"

- 95 2019 Maximin Grünhäuser Abtsberg Riesling Auslese "This terrific, incredibly subtle Auslese GK-styled wine only needs some patience."
- 94 2019 Maximin Grünhäuser Herrenberg Riesling Kabinett "Reveals a gorgeously zesty character in the long and vibrant finish."
- 93+ 2019 Maximin Grünhäuser Abtsberg Riesling Spätlese "Combines the intensity of a light Auslese with the juicy drinking abilities of a gorgeous Spätlese."
- 92+ 2019 Maximin Grünhäuser Abtsberg Riesling Kabinett "Offers great complexity underlined by an engaging yet creamy and delicately opulent structure."
- 92 2019 Maximin Grünhäuser Abtsberg Riesling Superior "This gorgeous expression of off-dry Ruwer Riesling only needs some patience in order to shine."
- 91 2019 Maximin Grünhäuser Riesling Trocken Alte Reben "Cut along the canon of the grand classic examples from this Estate."
- 90+ 2019 Maximin Grünhäuser Riesling Monopol "Anybody longing for the great Maximin Grünhaus experience is well advised to stock up on this little beauty."
- 90 2018 Maximin Grünhäuser Pinot Blanc Réserve (barrel fermented) "Will please lovers of rich yet complex expressions of Pinot Blanc."
- 89 2019 Maximin Grünhäuser Pinot Blanc (tank fermented) "The wine proves nicely full-bodied yet delicately zesty on the palate."
- 87 2019 Maximin Riesling "A fully off-dry profile on the soft and alluring palate, lifted up by quite some zest in the surprisingly intense finish."

FRITZ HAAG (Middle Mosel)

- 95 2019 Fritz Haag Braunberger Juffer Riesling Kabinett "A modern-day fruity-styled classic in the making.. What a success!"
- 90 2019 Fritz Haag Riesling "Gorgeously elegant and fragrant on the juicy and zesty palate."
- 90 2019 Fritz Haag Riesling Trocken "Cruises far above the usual standards of a mere Estate wine."

ZILLIKEN (Saar/Mosel)

"Zilliken really hit the nail on the head in 2019. The collection is simply superb, where succulent ripe flavors of fruits are beautifully packed into zest and light-footed presence on the palate. The dry wines shine through their balance and finesse. The off-dry wines are remarkable and easily the Estate's finest ever (those looking for fair value should plunge on the 2019er Butterfly!). The Rausch Kabinett and Spätlese are both gorgeously suave and full of potential. **In summary, 2019 is a Zilliken vintage!**"

- 95+ 2019 Zilliken Saarburger Rausch Riesling Auslese "The finish is hugely long and multi-layered. This classic Auslese only needs a decade of patience."
- 95 2019 Zilliken Saarburger Rausch Riesling Kabinett "Breathtakingly well balanced on the peachy and floral palate."
- 95 2019 Zilliken Saarburger Rausch Riesling Spätlese "This sweet wine is simply remarkable."
- 92+ 2019 Zilliken Saarburger Riesling Kabinett "A stunning feel of apricot and whipped cream in the long and hugely engaging finish."
- 92 2019 Zilliken Ockefener Bockstein Riesling Kabinett "This is a gorgeous and quite subtle expression of fruity-styled wine."
- 92 2019 Zilliken Riesling Trocken Alte Reben "A superb dry Riesling in the making, especially if you are partial to elegance and light-footed intensity."
- 89 2019 Zilliken "Butterfly" Riesling "What is remarkable is how the precise and nuanced flavors come over right into the juicy and engaging finish."

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