



# Mosel Fine Wines

"The Independent Review of Mosel Riesling"

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## Mosel Fine Wines | 2019 Vintage Report

### About Mosel Fine Wines

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## Recommended Wines

### Weingut Loersch

(Leiwen – Middle Mosel)

*NB: The Estate Review, including the bulk of the 2019er wines, was published in the Mosel Fine Wines Issue No 53 (Aug 2020). A copy of this Issue is available to all subscribers upon simple email request.*

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| 2019er | Loersch | Dhroner Hofberg Riesling Kabinett Feinherb | 20 20 | 93 |
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The 2019er Hofberg Riesling Kabinett Feinherb, as it is referred to on the front part of the label, was made from grapes harvested in the central part of the vineyard (just above the village) at 83° Oechsle and was fermented down to off-dry levels of residual sugar (21 g/l). It is still marked by some residual scents from its spontaneous fermentation and only gradually reveals its beautiful and refreshing nose of citrusy fruits, herbs, mint, white peach, and smoke. The wine proves superbly animating on the light-footed and finely juicy palate and leaves a great sweet-sour tension as well as great sense of energy and presence in the almost dry-tasting finish. This wine proves a huge success. It now only needs a little bit of patience for its element to blend together. 2023-2034

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| 2019er | Loersch | Trittenheimer Apotheke Riesling Spätlese Feinherb Fels-Terrassen | 19 20 | 93 |
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The 2019er Fels-Terrassen Trittenheimer Apotheke, as it is referred to on the front part of the label, was made from grapes harvested from 80-year-old vines situated in the Vogelsang sector of the vineyard at 93° Oechsle and was fermented down to off-dry levels of residual sugar (21 g/l). It offers a quite earthy and rich nose of smoke, pineapple, herbs, plum, cherry, Limoncello, and canned peach, as well as a touch of volatile acidity in the background. The wine develops great presence and mixes some juicy ripe fruits with zesty elements on the currently a tad sweet-tasting palate and leaves one with a persistent and focused feel in the long finish. The after-taste offers great cut, precision, and tartness. This off-dry wine now only needs some bottle aging to integrate its tail of sweetness and reveal its brilliant structure. 2024-2039

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| 2019er | Loersch | Trittenheimer Apotheke Riesling Trocken Devon-Terrassen GG | 18 20 | 92 |
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The 2019er Devon-Terrassen Trittenheimer Apotheke, as it is referred to on the front part of the label, is a dry wine comes from 70-100-year-old vines in the central part of the vineyard (Kaulsbohr and Jungheld) and was fermented down to dry levels of residual sugar (5 g/l). It proves quite restrained at first and only gradually reveals some delicate and elegant flowery notes of candied grapefruit, lime, and herbs. With airing it develops more depth as notes of pear, mint, and anise kick in. The wine proves full of grip and presence on the palate and leaves an earthy feel of herbs and acidic cut in the long and slightly tart and powerful finish. This beautiful dry wine now only needs a few years to round off its tartness and fully develop its complexity and elegance. 2023-2029



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| <b>2019er</b> | <b>Loersch</b> | <b>Trittenheimer Apotheke Riesling Trocken Vogelsang</b> | <b>17 20</b> | <b>92</b> |
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The 2019er Vogelsang Trittenheimer Apotheke, as it is referred to on the front part of the label, is a dry wine made in stainless steel from south-facing parcels situated in this part high up of the Apotheke hill and was fermented down to dry levels of residual sugar (5 g/l). It offers a quite appealing and fruit-driven nose of yellow peach, green apple, orange, pineapple, and a hint of mango, as well as some more complex and refreshing notes of herbs, mint, candied grapefruit, lime, and spices. The wine is nicely fruity and elegantly light-weighted on the palate, where some attractive notes of pear, candied grapefruit, and peach are nicely wrapped into some zesty acidity giving energy and focus to the long and dry finish. A touch of tartness emerges in the after-taste which still needs to integrate. This is a great focused and complex fruit-driven dry Riesling. 2024-2034

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| <b>2019er</b> | <b>Loersch</b> | <b>Neumagener Rosengärtchen Riesling Kabinett Feinherb</b> | <b>03 20</b> | <b>91</b> |
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The 2019er Rosengärtchen Riesling Kabinett Feinherb, as it is referred to on the front part of the label was made from grapes harvested at 83° Oechsle in the Thierbach part of the vineyard and was fermented down to off-dry levels of residual sugar (24 g/l). It offers a beautifully flowery and fruity nose of lily flowers, grapefruit, lemon, vineyard peach, Conference pear, herbs, almond cream. The wine rewards one with quite some fruity elements as well as juicy and sweet fruits on the light-weighted and delicately creamy palate. The finish of this beautifully fruit-driven expression of off-dry Riesling is still a touch sweet at this time and needs a few years to reveal its underlying zesty side. 2024-2034

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| <b>2018er</b> | <b>Loersch</b> | <b>Trittenheimer Apotheke Riesling Trocken Holzfass Jungheldin</b> | <b>16 19</b> | <b>90</b> |
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The 2018er Jungheldin Trittenheimer Apotheke Holzfass, as it is referred to on the front part of the label, is a dry wine made from over 70-year-old un-grafted vines in the terraced Jungheld sector of the vineyard close to the Neumagener Rosengärtchen and was fermented for 10 months in a 300-liter acacia cask down to dry levels of residual sugar. It will be commercially released in spring 2021. It offers a quite intense and ripe nose of earthy herbs, spices, almond, roasted pineapple, plum, tar, and a hint of camphor. The wine reveals a juicy and supple side on the palate driven by ripe fruits and creamy elements. It gains in presence and even power as it develops quite some intensity but also tartness. The finish is expansive and broad, with a feel of hot spices and herbs. This dry Riesling will please lovers of ostentatious and bigger expression of the genre. 2022-2025

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