SUN GARDEN



Gewürztraminer QbA

Pfalz, Germany

GRAPE VARIETY

100% Gewürztraminer

VINIFICATION

Despite its very German sounding name, Gewürztraminer accounts for less than 1% of Germany's total vineyard area. (Even less than *Bacchus?!* and *Regent?!*) Still, it has been grown here for centuries and most plantings are concentrated in Pfalz, which borders the French region of Alsace, arguably this ancient grape's modern spiritual home. Thanks to their sheltering proximity to the Vosges Mountains, both regions are warm and dry, but Pfalz is warmer, and here Gewürztraminer happily ripens into its distinctively pungent and exotic self. Moselland growers are scattered throughout the region, and this provides the flexibility to produce compelling wines with consistency and quality in every vintage. Grapes are harvested separately, according to vineyard site, and must weight. Lots are vinified individually in small stainless-steel tanks under temperature control using selected yeast. The final blend for Sun Garden is assembled by Moselland's head wine maker, and the wine is stored in tank until bottling, so only the freshest wine is shipped to the market.

ABOUT THE WINERY

Sun Garden is produced by Moselland, a grower's cooperative famous for producing premium quality wines at competitive prices. What is a grower's cooperative, exactly? A cooperative is a group of wine grape growers who share their resources to produce, bottle, and market wine. Making wine independently requires investment and time that is practically beyond the means of most farmers. Cooperatives play an essential role by providing growers with access to economy of scale, a vocal role in production, and a fair share of profits. This approach also provides a tremendous benefit to consumers. Well-run cooperatives like Moselland are a prime source for excellent wines at lower prices. Moselland was formed in 1968 when several small cooperatives merged. It is now based in in the famous twin wine towns of Bernkastel-Kues, in the heart of the middle Mosel River Valley. Moselland produces wines from all over Germany in a range of styles, and Riesling is their specialty.

TASTING NOTE

Perfumed with scents of lychee and blossoms, this off-dry delight boasts zesty allspice flavor that mingles with hints of peach and mango. Medium-bodied with an optimal balance between rich fruit flavors and sunny acidity.

FOOD PAIRING

Perfect for casual enjoyment with meals or by itself. Goes well with spicy cuisine. Serve well chilled.



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