CLEAR NIGHT



Riesling QDA

Pfalz, Germany

GRAPE VARIETY 100% Riesling

VINIFICATION

The Pflaz is one of Germany's most diverse wine regions. It is warm and dry, thanks to its sheltering proximity to the Voges mountains. A vast array of grape varieties do well here, but Riesling still reigns, and there is more of it planted here than anywhere else in the world. The region is densely planted in general and grapevines out number residents 600 to one. 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 Clear Night 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

Clear Night 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 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

Zesty lime and nectarine aromas give way to juicy peach and pear flavors. Offdry with bright, balanced acidity.

FOOD PAIRING

Perfect on its own or enjoy with your favorite Asian, Indian or Thai cuisine.

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