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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Riesling  
Trocken**

Hermann's 2021 Riesling Trocken is sourced in Löslich (Försterlay) and Erden (predominantly Herrenberg and some rows of Treppchen). It was picked late due to the high acidity and vinified in foudres for six months. The wine shows a beautifully clear and crunchy slate aroma with bright fruit. Ripe and elegant on the palate, this is a lush but linear, medium-bodied and coolish Riesling classic with sustainable salinity. This is a superb estate Riesling with lots of terroir and vintage expression. 12,000 bottles made. 11.5% stated alcohol. Screw cap. Tasted in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener  
Herzlei Riesling Spätlese  
Alte Reben (Gold  
Capsule)**

From vines up to 120+ years old on blue-gray slate that were picked in late October/early November with 88° Oechsle, the 2021 Erdener Herzlei Riesling Spätlese Alte Reben (Gold Capsule) offers a clear and precise, coolish and stony as well as herbal bouquet of broken stones and clear, bright fruit and lemon aromas. Lush and intense on the fleshy yet also piquant and stimulating palate, this is a gorgeously juicy, round and stimulating Spätlese with sharp and piquant yet not aggressive acidity that creates a finish like a laser beam. This is Riesling for freaks and fans of the old times when Spätlese Rieslings were still sharp and precise and much more digestible than sweet. The acidity is pronounced, but compared to the Spätlese from the Wehlener Sonnenuhr, it's almost mild with its nine grams per liter. 7.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann "H" Riesling**

Sourced from top sites in Kinheim, Erden and Ürzig (predominantly red-colored slate), vinified in stainless steel and bottled in early February, the 2021 "H" Riesling opens with a pure, bright and crunchy, slaty bouquet. Clear and juicy on the palate, this is a pure but round and delicious Riesling in the off-dry style. This is a mouth-filling Mosel classic with fine grip and stimulating salinity. 9.5% stated alcohol. Screw cap. Tasted from AP 1 22 (30,000 bottles) in July 2022. Another 30,000 bottles were filled at the end of July (AP 22 22), so I tasted the wine again in mid-August, when it showed a pure yet intense bouquet of fully ripe Riesling fruit intertwined with fascinating floral and spicy slate aromas. Off-dry or medium-sweet on the palate, this is a lush and hedonistic but light Riesling with perfect roundness and supple fruit. Structurally the same as the first bottling, the second is a bit rounder and lusher and a more mouth-filling divertimento. Gorgeously.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Wehlener  
Sonnenuhr Riesling  
Spätlese (Gold Capsule)**

From the Bickerd plot in the fourth terrace next to the sundial, the inaugural 2021 Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese (Gold Capsule) is based on a tiny crop of four hectoliters per hectare that brought the highest must weight of the six Spätlesen produced here in 2021. Originally planned to become a Kabinett, Christian Hermann had no chance of that happening when he picked fully ripe and extract-rich grapes at 91° Oechsle around October 20. However, the Spätlese now offers a bright, intense yet delicate and finely spicy bouquet of ripe white fruits intertwined with citrus as well as flinty notes of crushed stones. Lean and fresh on the palate yet also dense and rich, the juicy-elegant 2021 reveals crystalline, saline and refined acidity that carries this WSU to a long and dramatic finish. This is a laser beam Riesling that is not really typical for the often-hedonistic but also highly finessed Sonnenuhr, but it's a very particular expression of the Bickerd cru. Tight and tensioned and still very crisp, this is a wine to cellar for about 8-10 years. 7.5% stated alcohol. Screw cap. Tasted in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Brauneberger  
Juffer Riesling Kabinett**

From the upper, flatter, loamier and windier plot of the cru, picked at 81° Oechsle and vinified in stainless steel until early March, the 2021 Brauneberger Juffer Riesling Kabinett opens with a clear and delicate bouquet with bright fruit and filigreed earthy notes from weathered slate and loam. Lush and delicate on the palate, this is a filigreed, very sharp, piquant and saline, straight and ice wine-like Kabinett with 7.5% stated alcohol and moderate-tasting sweetness of 44.2 grams per liter. The acidity was reduced down to 9.2 from 13 grams per liter in the must because of a certain maceration in the harvest box and a cold fermentation at 14 degrees Celsius. Natural cork. Tasted from AP 04 22 in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Ürziger  
Würzgarten Riesling  
Kabinett**

From 60- to 80-year-old vines on volcanic sandstone, picked mid-October at 80° Oechsle and vinified in stainless steel until early March, the 2021 Ürziger Würzgarten Riesling Kabinett offers a very clear, fresh and coolish nose of bright fruits and crushed stones. Lush and round on the palate and, due to the old vines, with relatively mild acidity, this is a linear, refined and elegant, substantial but pure and refreshing Kabinett with a long and saline, very lively finish. A classic that will further improve with bottle age. 11,000 bottles produced. 7.5% stated alcohol. Screw cap. Tasted from AP 2 22 in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener  
Treppchen Riesling  
Spätlese (Gold Capsule)**

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From the best parcels of the Treppchen and based on the highest must weights from the oldest vines, the 2021 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Spätlese (Gold Capsule) is pure and refined yet also intense and very elegant on the nose that reveals more tropical aromas compared to all the other Spätlesen of the vintage, but it still has the classic, coolish attitude. On the palate, the wine is lush and round, sweeter than its peers (79 grams per liter) but also delicate and refined in its overall expression and acidity. The finish is intense, saline and finely grippy and leaves the mouth with a full texture and stimulating slate piquancy. 4,000 bottles made. 7.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener Prälat  
Riesling Spätlese Alte  
Reben (Gold Capsule)**

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For the first time since 2006, Christian Hermann didn't select for a gold-capsuled Auslese due to moderate must weights averaging 87° Oechsle that made up the 2021 Erdener Prälat Riesling Spätlese Alte Reben (Gold Capsule). Vinified in stainless steel and bottled in late April this year, the nose exhibits a deep, complex and refined, pure and flinty bouquet with delicately intense and ripe, yellow-fleshed fruit aromas intermingled with notes of crushed stones. Picked in early November on the same day as the TBA, this is a highly delicate, vital yet balanced Spätlese with a rather thrifty character compared to former vintages but nevertheless good extract and stimulating salinity. This is an unusual lean, finessed and straightforward character for this warm grand cru, but the finish is long, salivating and stimulatingly grippy. An exciting, unique expression of the Prälat, of which 1,300 liters were produced. 7.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener  
Treppchen Riesling  
Auslese**

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The 2021 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Auslese is from the best parcels of the cru and based on 20% to 25% botrytis grapes. It's clear and pure but aromatic on the well-defined nose that indicates yellow plums and mirabelles along with some coolish forest herb notes. Round and refined on the palate, this is a highly elegant and balanced Auslese with concentrated fruit that is marked by crystalline, precise acidity. This is a superb, digestible Auslese that is already attractive, but it will gain many more layers and fascination with bottle age. 7.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener  
Treppchen Riesling  
Trockenbeerenauslese  
Alte Reben (Gold  
Capsule)**

The 2021 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese Alte Reben (Gold Capsule) is from a 0.8-hectare plot with 100+-year-old vines that tasted so fine that Christian didn't want to blend it with the other Treppchen TBA, although that was the initial plan. The nose is highly delicate and refined, with flinty-scented notes of dried apricots and tropical fruits. Super fine and almost frisky on the palate, this is a sweet but finely piquant and crystalline, even saline TBA with a very long, intense and stimulating finish. There is 6% stated alcohol plus 277 grams per liter of residual sugar. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Pinot Noir  
Zeltinger Himmelreich**

The 2021 Pinot Noir Zeltinger Himmelreich is the very first red wine I have tasted from this stunning producer. From vines grown for 20 to 25 years on loamy slate soils with quartzite, the wine displays a dark cherry color and opens with a beautifully clear, fine and elegant bouquet of ripe sour cherry and forest berry (cassis!) aromas intertwined with lovely slate and delicate toasty notes. Round and juicy on the palate, this is an intense, mellow yet refined and very elegant Pinot Noir with fine, juicy tannins intertwined with saline, slate-driven acidity. The finish is long and tensioned but also stimulating. This is definitely one of the most stunning Pinot Noirs from the Mosel. It's still not as big and rich as the greatest, but for a firstling, this is a sensational new entry into the Dr. Hermann portfolio. Tasted as a sample in August, to be bottled in September 2022. Release date: either this year or early next year.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Kinheimer  
Hubertuslay Riesling  
Eiswein**

The 2021 Kinheimer Hubertuslay Riesling Eiswein shows a slatey nose with apricot, physalis and lychee as well as broken slate aromas. Lush and sweet as well as refined and saline on the palate, this is a rich and generously fruity but very delicate and balanced Eiswein with fine, crystalline acidity cutting through dense and fleshy apricot fruit. This Hubertuslay Eiswein is from the first run and is much sweeter and richer than the "generic," possibly more "typical" Eiswein from the second and third run off the press, which makes the wine crystalline, refined, elegant and sharp in a positive sense. However, given the richness and finesse of this Hubertuslay Eiswein, it is stunning. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Ürziger  
Würzgarten In der  
Kranklei Riesling  
Spätlese Alte Reben  
(Gold Capsule)**

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From vines about 100 years old, the 2021 Ürziger Würzgarten In der Kranklei Riesling Spätlese Alte Reben (Gold Capsule) was picked in early November with 89° Oechsle. The wine shows a clear, deep, pure and intense, stony/herbal bouquet that is highly refined and complex but by far not as opulent or fruit intense compared to former vintages. Round and refined on the palate, this is a generous, saline and playful Spätlese of great finesse. The wine is not really rich or generous but a perfect mix of body, salt, grip and ripe, elegant fruit. The acidity is highly refined and leads to a saline, salivating finish with stimulating crunchy slate splinters. Absolutely fabulous! This has 7.5% stated alcohol plus a moderate 72 grams per liter of residual sugar. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022. There were 1,300 bottles filled in late April of this year.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Piesporter  
Goldtröpfchen Riesling  
Kabinett**

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From deeper, weathered slate soils and picked at 84° Oechsle, the 2021 Piesporter Goldtröpfchen Riesling Kabinett offers a clear, bright and fresh but also intense, aromatic and fruity bouquet. On the palate, this is a lush, round and piquant, fresh and juicy but also salty Kabinett with pronounced mineral and finely phenolic acidity that will soften with bottle age. 8% stated alcohol. Screw cap. Tasted in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Riesling  
Eiswein**

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Sourced from the Kinheim Hubertuslay, picked without any botrytis between eight and nine o'clock in the morning of December 22 at minus-eight degrees Celsius and based on the second, third and fourth pressing, the 2021 Riesling Eiswein is crystal clear and aromatic on the fine and elegant, super bright and spicy nose that exhibits perfectly clear lychee aromas. Round and intense on the palate, this is a concentrated, highly refined and piquant Eiswein Riesling with a long and saline finish that is carried on knife-sharp but playful acidity. This is already spectacular, but there is another Eiswein bottled from the first free-run must... 7.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener  
Treppchen Riesling  
Auslese (Gold Capsule)**

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Picked around November 10 and so to say the negative selection of the TBA that was picked in the same go, the 2021 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Auslese (Gold Capsule) is based on 50% botrytis grapes and opens with a very fine raisin aroma with grapefruit and slate aromas. Concentrated and viscous on the highly elegant and finessed palate and with the sweetness lifted by the precise and sharp acidity (9.8 grams per liter), this is a spectacular, Eiswein-like Auslese with great precision and sustainable salinity and terroir expression. Made to be aged or at least appreciated for decades. 7% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener Prälät  
Riesling  
Trockenbeerenauslese  
Alte Reben (Long Gold  
Capsule)**

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The 2021 Erdener Prälät Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese Alte Reben (Long Gold Capsule) is enormously flinty and spicy on the darker-toned nose that is concentrated and intense, showing orange and candied citrus fruit aromas along with pastry, herbal and stony notes and aromas of fermented green pepper berries. A natural beauty! Round, intense and viscous on the palate, this a very sweet but also precise, highly elegant and refined TBA with a salivating, saline finish with citrus bitters. A fabulous TBA and a worthy successor to the 2007. Only 33 liters were produced. 6% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Ürziger  
Würzgarten Riesling  
Kabinett Alte Reben**

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From very old vines on red slate and volcanic sandstone soils, picked with 83° Oechsle and vinified in stainless steel, the 2021 Ürziger Würzgarten Riesling Kabinett Alte Reben offers a clear, pure, fresh and intense, herbal bouquet of lush and fully ripe stone fruit aromas intertwined with enormously present firestone notes. Supple, lush and dense on the palate, with lively but ripe and elegant acidity, this is a mouth-filling, textured and salivating Kabinett with remarkable finesse and a very sustainable finish. This is a complex and substantial Kabinett from 100+-year-old vines. The grapes were macerated in the harvest boxes and pressed with 1.6 bar before the must went straight into the 33-hectoliter tank. 7.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener  
Treppchen Riesling  
Spätlese**

From ungrafted, 20-year-old vines that were picked at 87° Oechsle two weeks after the Kabinett, the 2021 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Spätlese opens with a clear, bright and intense, yet floral and stony rather than fruity nose with flint stone notes. Lush and round on the palate, this is a dense and saline but also juicy, now tropical-flavored Spätlese with enormous drive and tension. The wine is straight, crisp and piquant and will be highly digestible for decades, but don't challenge your stomach too early because the acidity is pretty serious here: 9.3 grams per liter, which cuts through the concentrated fruit (64 grams per liter of residual sugar) like a Japanese knife. 8% stated alcohol. Screw cap. Tasted in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener  
Treppchen Riesling  
Troockenbeerenauslese  
(Gold Capsule)**

From the very best parcels and selected several times in the vineyard and again raisin by raisin in the cellar, the golden-yellow colored 2021 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Troockenbeerenauslese (Gold Capsule) is super clear, even fresh and beautifully aromatic on the concentrated and defined nose that reveals apricot and peach as well as floral and spicy slate aromas. This TBA has even more definition than the Hubertuslay Eiswein, although this TBA is based on perfectly dried botrytis raisins. On the palate, this is a concentrated, lush and viscous but also refined, highly delicate TBA with fine grip, mineral tension and stimulating precision. A memorable TBA. 7% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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**2021 Weingut Dr.  
Hermann Erdener  
Treppchen Riesling  
Kabinett –6–**

From very low-yielding, 20-year-old, ungrafted vines in the original Treppchen and picked at 83° Oechsle, the 2021 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Kabinett –6– opens with an intense and juicy yet also pure and flinty nose with ripe peach aromas and beautifully coolish notes of broken gray and blue slate. On the palate, this is a lush but structurally pure, saline and vibrantly fresh, very stimulating Kabinett with a supple or creamy texture and racy acidity. Vinified in old foudres until mid-March and bottled with natural cork, this Kabinett comes in with 7.5 alcohol and 47.6 grams per liter of residual sugar. Tasted at the domaine in July 2022.

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