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Engelberg Grand Cru Riesling 2021

The 2021 Riesling Engelberg Grand Cru was harvested a month later than its 2022 counterpart. The nose has a subtle edge of quince peel and its autumnal notions of heightened aromatics. The palate is taut and bright, almost with a veil of slightly drying tannins. This wine is so fresh and bright. The oolitic limestone keeps everything cool, slender, taut and fresh as dew. (Bone-Dry)

93 pts- Anne Krebiehl MW, Vinous Media, April 2024

Engelberg Grand Cru Riesling 2020

Exudes structure, elegance and acidity, expressed in somewhat soft aromas and flavours of citrus and wet stone. Although recognized since the 9th century as a winegrowing site, Grand Cru Engelberg was only classified in 1985.

92 pts- Panos Kakaviatos, Decanter, June 27, 2023

Try to give this some time to unfold in the glass, because the first impression of flint, lime and lemon zest is quickly augmented by notes of white peach and fresh sage. Staggering focus and minerality in spite of the roundness and ripeness on the full-bodied palate. Then comes the best thing about the wine, the racy brilliance at the super-long finish. Matured for almost two years on the lees. From organically grown grapes with Fair'n Green certification. Drink or hold.

96 pts- JamesSuckling.com, April 2023

The 2020 Riesling Engelberg Grand Cru was bottled in August 2022 and vinified in 100% stainless steel, benefitting from longer aging. This was the first time a Riesling was picked in September. A subtle savoriness has hints of lichen and hayflowers on an aromatic nose. The palate adds immediate texture. Phenolics are fine and earthy, reminiscent of crushed, dusty limestone, with an essential coolness at the heart but with ripe, smooth citrus notions that lend a long echo of Amalfi lemon on the tapering finish. A rather vertical wine with just 4-5 g/L of residual sugar. This will blossom with bottle age. (Dry)

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