



# Weingut Karthäuserhof, Riesling Dry, Schieferkristall, VDP Gutswein, Trier, Mosel, Germany, '2021'

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## PRODUCER PROFILE

The Karthäuserhof is the eighth oldest winery in the world and has been the cradle of world-famous Rieslings for centuries.

It was founded in 1335 by Carthusian monks who received the estate as a gift from the Elector Baldwin of Luxembourg and ran it as a winery until the advent of secularization. The Karthäuserhof has been owned by the same family since 1811, now in its seventh generation. Mathieu Kauffmann, Technical Director, is responsible for vineyard care and vinification of the wine, and his belief in an ecological approach to viticulture will shape the philosophy of Karthäuserhof long into the future.

## VITICULTURE

The grapes come mainly from vineyard sites in Karthäuserhofberg, Mertesdorf and Waldrach (all in the Ruwer valley) known for its slate-rich soils and cool microclimate. The soil in the Karthäuserhofberg is predominantly Devonian slate, a type of rock rich in minerals that imparts a distinctive character to the wines. The slate soils help to retain heat, which can be beneficial in the cool climate of the Ruwer; cool summers and cold winters. The cool climate helps to preserve the acidity in the grapes, which is a key characteristic of Riesling wines.

## WINEMAKING

The grapes were carefully brought to the cellar, briefly crushed and then pressed. The fermentation took place with natural yeasts in a mix of stainless-steel tanks and large oak. After fermentation the wine is allowed to mature on the full yeast for several months.

## TASTINGNOTE

The Schieferkristall shows the strengths of the region perfectly with low alcohol, cool fruits and lots of minerality. Very fresh with delicate citrus notes, white currants, a hint of lychee with slate and spiciness, light-footed and powerful at the same time.

## FOOD MATCHING

Excellent with simply prepared smoked or cured fish as well as Sushi.



## TECHNICAL DETAILS

### Varieties:

Riesling 100%

Vegetarian

Vegan

Biodynamic

### Features

**ABV:** 11%

**Closure:** Natural cork

**Colour:** White

### Oak Ageing

**Time:** 10 Months

**Type:** 1200-1800 Litre Oak Barrels

**% wine oaked:** 30

**% new oak:** None

**Style:** Still wine

**Case Size:** 6 x 75cl

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