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	2003 Dr. Loosen "Weltere Sonnenuhr" Riesling Spätlese (Mosel-Saar-Ruher)	8155
	<i>Wine World 2015</i> : It's a light stone palate, and its aromatics of lime-pine, citrus, and Juniperum apple have been the given. There are some earth undertones and petroleum-like elements too. Very refreshing, and an late, slightly clear built-up character of light stone. Its another lesson in the language of three limestone low-alcohol wines, and a tribute to the skills of Ernie Loosen and his team. Rating : 90 Points	80R
	2005 Joh. Jos. Prumm "Brenkathel Badstube" Riesling Spätlese (MSR)	8320
	<i>Bibendum</i> : "This wine has everything we look for in a Primm riesling, particularly from a 2005, which is one of the greatest vintages in at least a decade. Great intensity, serious depth of fruit, yet somehow it remains fresh-light and extremely bright and fresh. Remarkable balance." Joh. Jos. Prumm is among the very able of Riesling producers and arguably the very finest Estates of the Mosel if not Germany - and it often rated as one of the top 10 wine estates in the world.	80R
	2006 Joh. Jos. Prumm "Weltere Sonnenuhr" Riesling Auslese (MSR)	8210
	<i>Wine Advocate</i> : "The 2006 Auslese shows considerable formative control with pure, quiet, perfume and more refreshing a creamy palate and softening finish. Its combination of richness with delicacy and the purity of its finishing expression of ruffled fruit speak to a fine future, perhaps three decades or more. Rating : 95+ points ."	80R
	2006 Schbach-Oster "Zehntage Sonnenuhr" Riesling Spätlese (MSR)	8135
	<i>Robert Parker</i> : If all a handy nose reminiscent of Nennendahl rules, it displays lovely lightness and lift on the palate, with apple, lime, and lemon spices emerging as fully ripe but surprisingly fresh, supple, and snappy personality. The hint of creaminess and deep, cake-like notes sometimes adds to the charm. Delicate and refined, will reward at least 15 years' cellaring."	80R
	2007 Joh. Jos. Prumm "Weltere Sonnenuhr" Riesling Auslese (MSR)	8275
	<i>Stephen Tanzer</i> : "Delicious aromas of cherry, apple blossom and sweet herbs. Firm apricot pit flavor, with a nice balance of sweetness and acidity from the palate. The crisp finish features persistent stone minerality. Excellent. Rating : 94 Points ."	80R
	2007 Dr. Loosen "Brenkathel Lay" Riesling Kabinett (Mosel-Saar-Ruher)	8155
	<i>DJM</i> : "Now starting to really open up, it shows a superb bouquet of apricot, apple blossom and sweet herbs. It has a lovely vibrant effervescence with white peach fruit and light, fresh acid, just hinting with flavor and aroma. It really is, in someone called it, spring or sunshine in a bottle."	80R
	2007 Schbach-Oster "Graacher Himmelreich" Riesling Spätlese (MSR)	8135
	<i>WM June 2012</i> : "This family vine does nice growing back over 200 years, and in great vine like SWG their riesling grapes from near Graach towers the top "Himmelreich" (or kingdom of heaven). Beautifully aromatic, light but rich, smooth and deliciously fresh - wonderful wine. These are seriously long lived wines, but this is already drinking well. A real treat."	80R

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	<i>Das Murphy</i> tasting panel : "The nose reveals Riesling like the Germans. At only 9% alcohol, there is a decent amount of residual sugar here, and yet the all good German Rieslings have a plenty of crumbly acid to cut through the sweetness. Such balance is a rare and beautiful thing."	80R
	2009 Joh. Jos. Prumm Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese (MSR)	8210
	<i>Bibendum</i> : "This wine has everything we look for in a Primm Auslese. Great intensity, serious depth of fruit, yet somehow it remains fresh-light and extremely bright and fresh. Remarkable balance. 95+ alcohol. Wine Spectator : "Fruit and pure-ness, with a well structured array of mineral, peach, citrus and savory spice notes that are tightly wound. Impenetrable finish of lime and acetone. Best from 2015 through 2030. Rating : 95 Points ."	80R
	2009 Joh. Jos. Prumm Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Spätlese (MSR)	8220
	<i>Nick Stack CWG 2012</i> : "This riesling offers a strong sense of stone and dark notes on the nose - very ripe nectarine here, but some peach and a spicy character, some herbal notes too. The palate is beautifully balanced - a half mark of the 10 Primm Spätlese wines. Delicious fresh apple and white nectarine flavors here, purely honeyed through the finish. Long, precise and utterly drinkable. Rating : 93 points ."	80R
	2009 Joh. Jos. Prumm "Weltere Sonnenuhr" Riesling Auslese (MSR)	8290
	<i>Wine Spectator</i> : "Elegant bouquet of passion fruit and mango, lifted by fine floral aromatics. The wine's luscious peach pit flavor and silvery notes are given shape and nerve by a finish tinged with minerality. Stone yet airy, it leaves great refinement and stunning length. One of the stars of the vintage. Rating : 94 Points ."	80R
	2010 Schbach-Oster Riesling Kabinett (MSR)	8155
	<i>DJM</i> : "Very pale and crystal clear, showing lovely apple and pear aromas. Nice soft fruit overlaid with fine, refreshing acidity. Hint of refreshing (why) minerality. Excellent texture and balance - quite light, really delicious and very refreshing."	80R/80R
	2011 Dr. Loosen "Brenkathel Lay" Riesling Kabinett (Mosel-Saar-Ruher)	8155
	<i>Michael Franz</i> : "Fresh, like Kabinett. It shows lovely, lifted aromas and flavors of apricots and spiced apples leading to a finish that is energized with lots of crumbly acidity and very pronounced mineral notes from stone. Alcohol is quite low at 9%, with impeccable balance of sweetness and acidity, making this a wonderful aperitif. Rating : 92 Points ."	80R
	2011 Joh. Jos. Prumm Weltere Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese	8220
	<i>K&L</i> : "From a great vintage, this lovely wine is all about stone peach, white flowers and delicate smoky stone - gorgeous effect showing complexity, elegance & fine structure. Clean & fresh on the palate, a delicate touch of creaminess just adds to the length."	810R
	2012 Dreisack "Beckstein" Riesling (Rheinhessen, Germany)	800
	<i>DJM</i> : Rheinhessen is the largest of the 13 German wine regions and was infamous for making the reputation of German wines with the infamous Liebfraumilch. This lovely Riesling is a long way from that. From a vintage planted in 1720, and now rapidly improving under the young 9th generation. <i>Jochen Dreisack</i> makes this dry Riesling has quite herbal aromatics, is quite robust, with good balance, refreshing acidity and is nicely soft to finish. Very different to the Mosel Rieslings, but a great drinking."	80R

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	2013 Salomon Unold "Hochterrasse" Grüner Veltliner Kremstal (region of Kremstal, near the towns of Stein and Korneu, Austria)	805
	<i>Wine Spectator</i> : "Shows good concentration to the piggy apple and grapefruit flavors, rounded with notes of white pepper. Features plenty of firmness and mineral details on soft, with a taste of lemon zest on the finish."	80R
	2014 Dr. Loosen "Graacher Himmelreich" Riesling Kabinett (MSR)	8110
	<i>DJM</i> : from one of the top producers, and from a 9 / 10 vintage year. This is a refreshing and delicious wine. Showing a slight, very pale green color, it has a pretty blend, clean bouquet. Unlike its medium bodied for this style, it is beautifully smooth with a gentle richness finishing with a hint of ruby minerality to refresh the palate. Lovely on an aperitif or with lightly spiced food."	80R
	2014 Salomon "Wiesen & Berg" Grüner Veltliner (Kremstal, Austria)	855
	<i>V&S</i> : "Established by a massive property within the Wachau river valley is adjacent the river. Vines from the Wiesen old Graacher Veltliner varieties have been planted on the terraces of the neighboring Kerschberg vineyard. A wine with apple mouthfeel and lush texture with hints of yellow peach. Q&A : lively & distinctive wine - smooth, firm, ready to eat and fresh."	80R
	2014 Joh. Jos. Prumm Weltere Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese	8125
	<i>Robert Parker Wine Advocate</i> : "Opens with very fine, light fruit and fine stone/lemon perfume flavors. This is a full-bodied, round, intense, piped and lacking Wideson Sonnenuhr with a very juicy and intense sweetness, but a tangy minerality. Very sophisticated and complex, this is extremely promising. Don't drink before 2022, but certainly before one dec. Rating : 94 Points ."	80R

"the experts all agree that 2015 is the real deal, the best since 1971 and 1975, and a vintage destined to become legendary in the years to come"

	2015 Dr. Loosen "Brenkathel Lay" Riesling Kabinett (Mosel-Saar-Ruher)	8145
	<i>Must Wine Wines</i> : "For lovers of elegant, food, yet wonderfully intense Riesling there are few greater examples than those of Dr. Loosen in the Mosel. "It offers a gorgeous nose of fresh herbs, white peach and apricot. The wine dances on the palate, with good presence and elegance. The finish is airy and clean. This is a deliciously well-made Kabinett 2015-2025." <i>DJM</i> : this is beautiful drinking - sultry rich with loads of fruit awareness with a pretty crisp, saline finish."	80R
	2015 Dr. Loosen "Weltere Sonnenuhr" Riesling Kabinett (MSR)	8145
	<i>Robert Parker's Wine Advocate</i> : "The 2015 Weltere Sonnenuhr Riesling Kabinett is clear and juicy in the nose and delivers the typical ripe, lush and sweet fruit aromas of this famous great vine. Pippert and nice, but also lush and juicy on the palate, this is a pure, fine and elegant but pretty Kabinett. Very attractive."	80R
	2015 Salomon Unold "Kogel" Riesling (Kremstal, Austria)	865
	<i>Robert Parker's Wine Advocate</i> : "A pure and mineral but also centered lemon bouquet with stone aromas of crushed wet stones. Full-bodied, fresh and elegant on the palate, this is a lean and mineral but also dense, intense and persistent Riesling full of energy and finesse. It is a real Riesling classic from Stein."	80R