

# GERMANY'S BEST: J. J. PRUM



# The World of J. J. Prum

It's rich history and consistently high standards have made this prestigious winery one of Germany's leading wine producers. JJ Prum Rieslings are sought-after for their silkiness and legendary longevity. On Wine-Searcher's most expensive (sought after) wines the J.J. Prum Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese (TBA) has an average price of \$5647! Insane. Thankfully we have six other wines from JJ Prum that won't break the bank, but may break your heart when you finish the bottle.

Stuart Pigott says of J.J. Prüm that "since the early 1920s its wines have been among Germany's best Rieslings with the Mosel's vivacious aroma and racy elegance in its highest form" and wine writer Stephen Brook says that "The wines, whether a modest Kabinett or an opulent Beerenauslese, are the epitome of filigree elegance: light in body but intense in flavor, exquisitely balanced and precisely tuned, and capable of the most extra-ordinary longevity". We here at Renegade could not agree more. Simply put, their wines are stunning.

We have six bottles to offer: two Kabinetts, two Spatlese, and two Auslese from their most prestigious vineyards.

The reviews below are by Jean Fisch and David Rayer from their brilliant publication Mosel Fine Wines. It's free to subscribe and if you love Rieslings you shouldn't miss it. One of the latest issues was an in depth report on travelling, staying, and tasting in the Mosel.

### And now for the wines:

2020 Joh. Jos. Prüm Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Kabinett \$55 The 2020er Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Kabinett is still marked by some fine flinty reduction at first but quickly reveals an aromatic and superbly attractive side including whipped almond cream, grapefruit, white flowers, vineyard peach, herbs, and a hint of Pina Colada. The wine proves very delicate and airy on the light-weighted palate. The aftertaste leaves one with superbly smoky and fruity flavors, which still proves tight but loaded with energy. This is a superb Kabinett in the making.

#### 2020 Joh. Jos. Prüm Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Kabinett \$55

The 2020er Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Kabinett greets one with a superbly aromatic and refined floral nose of tangerine, candied grapefruit, minty herbs, some floral nuances, and yellow peach. The wine is very delicate and rather smooth on the spicy and suave palate. The finish proves tight and lean as some fine zesty elements come through and add a very playful and truly Kabinett footprint. The wine combines a feeling of light ripeness and cool freshness and proves a very successful Kabinett.

#### 2020 Joh. Jos. Prüm Bernkasteler Badstube Riesling Spätlese \$50

The 2020er Bernkasteler Badstube Riesling Spätlese is slightly reduced at first but quickly reveals a beautifully refined and floral nose of aniseed herbs, tangerine, mint, smoke, herbs, and almond cream. The wine is nicely playful and light-weighted on the palate, yet it proves nicely complex and long. This is a delightful Spätlese in the making, which already proves very enjoyable now but will only reveal all its colors after a couple of years!

## 2020 Joh. Jos. Prüm Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese \$50

The 2020er Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese still proves flinty, quite smoky, and reductive at first before it almost reluctantly reveals its super nose made of stone fruits, vineyard peach, Conference pear, anise, and herbs. The wine is carried by a beautifully ripe and zesty acidity running through the palate which lifts up the ripe flavors of apricot, almond cream, and pineapple. The finish is lightweighted, very precise, and focused. This is a beautiful Spätlese.

#### 2020 Joh. Jos. Prüm Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese \$75 The 2020er Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese offers a beautifully pure and ripe nose of smoke,

grapefruit, lime, vineyard peach, minty herbs, and bacon-driven aromatics from residual from its spontaneous fermentation. The wine coats the palate with gorgeously ripe and juicy notes of fruits and leaves a superbly pure, smooth, and almost soft and suave feel in the hugely long finish. The aftertaste is still loaded with sweetness in need of integration, which will need quite some time to integrate. There is upside potential as the wine gains finesse with age.

## 2020 Joh. Jos. Prüm Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese \$75 The 2020er Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese offers a gorgeously attractive and ripe nose of

almond cream, honeyed peach, smoke, tangerine, orange zest, candied grapefruit, and apricot. The wine is luscious and proves well on the sweet side on the palate. There is presence and intensity, yet the finish is already airier and more refined than what one could initially expect. Patience will be required, as usual, for the wine to develop its full complexity and integrate all its elements.

#### \$320 (purchased seperately = \$360)

For the full J J Prum experiece, all 6 bottles, we have a special 6-Pack price for you:

Our 3 bottle J J Prum experience includes one bottle each of a Kabinett, Spatlese, and Auslese. Feel free

to choose either bottle from each of the three levels of Riseling. 3 bottle price is \$162

(purchased seperately = \$180)

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