



Rudi Wiest
SELECTIONS

Vintage: 2012
Estate Zilliken
Region: Saar
Name: Rausch
Grape: Riesling
Ripeness: Kabinett
Style: Fruity
Alcohol: 8.0%
Residual Sugar: 65 gm/L
Soil type: Devon Slate
Production level: 500
Closure: Cork
UPC: 7 67946 12111 3

Estate: As early as 1742 ancestors of the Zilliken family were active as wine producers in the villages of Saarburg and Ockfen. Today Hanno Zilliken and his daughter Dorothee are responsible for crafting Zilliken Riesling. The estate's cellars are the deepest in the Saar. They offer an unparalleled environment with near 100% humidity and a constant temperature of 48°F. The wines are fermented and matured in German oak (neutral) 1,000 liter barrels (Fuders). This cool, damp environment provides optimal conditions to produce Rieslings with great aging potential.

Tasting Note: This Kabinett offers aromas of red fruit and ripe white peaches. On the palate it displays a laser like focus, while its fruit structure is bursting with red raspberry, grapefruit, orange, and canned white peach notes. For all its intensity, the wine remains remarkably elegant, with a brilliant acid structure, and fine slate terroir details from the Rausch vineyard.

Food Affinity: Great to enjoy on its own, but also great with salads and spicy dishes or fusion cuisine.

