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**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Treppchen  
Riesling Trocken  
Grosses Gewächs**

Picked with 97° Oechsle the 2019 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Trocken Grosses Gewächs is entirely based on healthy grapes and was vinified in a traditional 1,000-liter fuder. Tasted as barrel samples in June, the wine opens with a deep, fresh, refined and open bouquet of fully ripe fruits and finely weathered slate. Full-bodied and tight on the palate, with enormously fresh acidity and fine grip, this is a filigreed yet persistent dry Riesling with excellent aging potential. Tasted as a sample in June 2020.

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**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Herzlei  
Riesling Spätlese Alte  
Reben (Gold Capsule)**

From Christian Hermann's oldest vineyard with 127-year-old vines (10,000 vines per hectare) on the blue-gray slate soils next to the Prälat, the 2019 Erdener Herzlei Riesling Spätlese Alte Reben (Gold Capsule) offers a clear and intense yet highly delicate and refined Riesling bouquet with very fine slate aromas. Lush and piquant on the filigreed and juicy palate, this is an incredibly finessed and weightless Spätlese with very fine grapefruit and lemon notes on the gorgeously juicy and refined but concentrated finish. It is beautifully balanced and a picture-book Spätlese with almost no botrytis. A fabulous wine from a glorious vintage! Spätlese can hardly be finer than this Herzlei. 8% alcohol. Only 1,200 bottles were produced. Tasted from AP 9 20 in May 2020.

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**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Treppchen  
Riesling Kabinett -6-**

From first-class parcels and vinified in traditional fuders, the 2019 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Kabinett -6- opens with perfectly ripe and sun-soaked fruit aromas, representing golden-yellow, thin-skinned and even transparent Riesling berries as well as a refined slate aroma. Very delicate! The palate is pure, refined and crystalline, balancing perfectly ripe and elegant fruit with delicate acidity and a mineral fundament. The finish is stimulatingly pure and salty. This is one of the finest No. 6 bottlings I have tasted from Christian Hermann, and it's certainly one of the most remarkable Kabinett Rieslings you can buy from the 2019 vintage. 8.5% alcohol. Tasted in May 2020.

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**95**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Ürziger Würzgarten  
Riesling Kabinett Alte  
Reben**

From 100+-year-old vines and vinified in stainless steel, the 2019 Ürziger Würzgarten Riesling Kabinett Alte Reben is excitingly reductive and untamed on the beautiful nose that is reminiscent of Tim Fröhlich's fabulous Nahe Rieslings yet certainly represents the volcanic terroir of the Ur-Würzgarten with its herbal, floral and ethereal expressions as well as notes of wet red slate. Bottled with 8% alcohol, this is a clear, lush, filigreed and piquant Kabinett with perfectly ripe yet clear and elegant fruit and the brightness of a great vintage. The finish is highly stimulating in its piquant salinity and mineral freshness. A fabulous Kabinett! 1,300 bottles produced. Tasted in May 2020.

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**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Prälat  
Riesling  
Trockenbeerenauslese  
Alte Reben (Long  
Gold Capsule)**

The 2019 Erdener Prälat Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese Alte Reben (Long Gold Capsule) offers a concentrated and aromatic bouquet with orange and lemon aromas intertwined with exotic spices. Rich and oily on the palate, this is a generous, excitingly fresh and lemon-flavored TBA with a honeyed sweetness and a long, piquant and stimulatingly salty finish, again with orange aromas. This spectacular TBA will get finer and finer with bottle age and might warrant an even higher score in the future. Bottled with 6% alcohol plus 390 grams of residual sugar (per liter) and an acidity of no less than 14 grams per liter. Only 30 liters produced. Tasted from AP 16 20 in May 2020.

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**93+**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Lösniicher Försterlay  
Riesling Auslese**

From a single plot in the best part of the cru and vinified in stainless steel, the 2019 Lösniicher Försterlay Riesling Auslese is pure, fine, fresh and flinty on the nose. Piquant and finely racy on the palate, this is a light, tight, sweet, refined and salty-mineral Auslese with a stimulating finish. It's very digestible, but I'd cellar this wine for another 6-10 years. 8% alcohol. Tasted from AP 3 20 in June 2020.

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**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Riesling Dr. H**

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The 2019 Riesling Dr. H represents a picture-book Mosel Riesling made with grapes sourced from Erden, Lösnich und Kinheim and vinified in stainless steel. The newest release, tasted from AP 1 20, comes in with 10.5% alcohol and beautifully fine yet perfectly ripe and concentrated Riesling and apricot aromas intertwined with crunchy slate aromas. Lush and piquant on the palate, with slightly sweet fruit and finely racy yet ripe tartaric acidity, this is a pleasant and very digestible Riesling with character and grip on the finish. Absolutely gorgeous! 50,000 bottles made.

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**97**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Treppchen  
Riesling Auslese  
(Long Gold Capsule)**

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Picked with 50% botrytis and 145° Oechsle in the Kribslay and Hödlay plots of the cru, the 2019 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Auslese (Long Gold Capsule) offers a clear, delicately spicy, slatey and very detailed bouquet of fine raisins with beautiful lemon notes that represent perfect botrytis. On the palate, this is a highly delicate, weightless and remarkably fresh (lemon-fresh) Auslese whose sweetness is nothing but piquant and even salty on the crystalline finish. This is a great Auslese bottled with 7.5% alcohol. Tasted from AP 13 20 in May 2020.

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**95**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Piesporter  
Goldtröpfchen  
Riesling Auslese  
(Gold Capsule)**

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Picked with 30% botrytis and 120° Oechsle, the 2019 Piesporter Goldtröpfchen Riesling Auslese (Gold Capsule) is intense and piquant on the clear, concentrated, spicy and slatey nose, reflecting fine and clear botrytis without rot. The attack on the palate is pretty racy and the finish very salty. The wine lacks a bit of charm and finesse on the mid-palate, but if you prefer raciness and piquancy to finesse and delicacy, this could be your choice. The slate in the Goldtröpfchen is less weathered than in Erden and Ürzig, so this is another nature. In any case, it is very stimulating yet more sportive than noble at this early moment. 7.5% alcohol. Tasted from AP 8 20 in May 2020. 1,000 liters produced.

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**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Riesling Trocken**

Christian Hermann's 2019 Riesling Trocken, tasted from AP 18 20 in May 2020, opens with spectacularly intense and ripe as well as dried yet slatey apricot fruit on the nose. Bottled with 12.5% alcohol, this is a medium-bodied dry Riesling with stunningly fresh acidity that gives the wine a leaner, finer character than expected from the nose. Sourced from own vines in the crus Erdener Treppchen and Lösnicher Försterlay, the wine is firm yet always fresh and finishes with an intense fruit aroma yet is neither too powerful nor too complex for a pleasing drink. This 2019 is definitely born under the the sun but kept the lightness and finesse of a Mosel classic. 10,000 bottles made.

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**96**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Ürziger Würzgarten In  
der Kranklei Riesling  
Auslese Alte Reben  
(Gold Capsule)**

The length of the wine name clearly corresponds with the sustainable finish of the 2019 Ürziger Würzgarten In der Kranklei Riesling Auslese Alte Reben (Gold Capsule), which comes from 80- to 120-year-old vines and was picked with 20% botrytis at 120° Oechsle! The bouquet indicates perfectly clear and intense botrytis, intertwined with crushed slate and orange blossom aromas. Piquant and fresh on the palate, this is a pure, filigreed, straight and persistently salty Auslese that is highly digestible and piquant. Another gorgeous, highly stimulating 2019 from Dr. Hermann. 8% alcohol. Tasted from AP 11 20 in May 2020. 1,000 liters produced.

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**91**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Ürziger Würzgarten  
Riesling Kabinett**

From 40- to 100-year-old, ungrafted vines, the 2019 Ürziger Würzgarten Riesling Kabinett is very clear and precise on the nicely (I tend to say: Mosel-typical) reductive, spicy/herbal and subtly intense nose. Bottled with 8.5% alcohol, this is a clear, light, linear, elegant and refreshing Würzgarten with ripe acidity and stimulating grip on the balanced and elegant finish. This 2019 is already very digestible. 15,000 bottles made. Tasted from AP 2 20 in May 2020.

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**93+**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Kinheimer  
Hubertuslay Riesling  
Auslese**

The 2019 Kinheimer Hubertuslay Riesling Auslese is a selection of the best parcels and offers a clear and subtle yet certainly intense bouquet with fine raisin, lemon and orange blossom aromas. Round, sweet, piquant and frisky on the palate, this is a delicate, buoyant and persistently salty Auslese from red slate with a highly stimulating finish. Picked with 110° Oechsle and bottled with 8% alcohol. Tasted from AP 4 20 in May 2020.

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**97+**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Treppchen  
Riesling  
Trockenbeerenauslese  
(Gold Capsule)**

From the Kribslay and Hödlay parcels and picked with 200° Oechsle, the 2019 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese (Gold Capsule) opens with a beautifully fine, elegant, aromatic and very concentrated bouquet that is absolutely graceful and full of spices, with a delicately dusty raisin tone, a touch of caramel and refreshing lemon notes. Dense and straight away piquant and salty, with contracting, tightening lemon and grapefruit notes, this TBA is gorgeously sweet, lush and so delicate and playful—buoyant, with a refreshing orange aroma on the persistently salty and frisky finish. Even though the neck isn't dressed with a long gold capsule, this is an absolutely fabulous TBA that was bottled with 330 grams of residual sugar and 13 grams per liter of total acidity. Tasted from AP 14 20 in May and June 2020. Total production: 150 liters.

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**95**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Prälät  
Riesling Auslese Alte  
Reben**

From the upper part of the cru and based on entirely healthy grapes, the 2019 Erdener Prälät Riesling Auslese Alte Reben offers a finely slatey and spicy-piquant bouquet with notes of grapefruit and pineapple confit and lime rind, indicating perfectly ripe and healthy fruit with good freshness and concentration. Pure and salty on the palate, this is an elegant, finessed and light-footed, crunchy/slatey and salty-piquant Auslese with a very delicate finish. It is sweeter than the other regular Auslesen of this great vintage, but it doesn't feel heavy here, thanks to the overall mineral grip, tension and structure. Highly digestible. 7.5% alcohol. Total production: 500 liters. Tasted from AP 10 20 in May 2020.

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**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Prälat  
Riesling Auslese Alte  
Reben (Gold Capsule)**

Hermann's 2019 Erdener Prälat Riesling Auslese Alte Reben (Gold Capsule) comes from the best plot close to the Mosel. Picked at 118° Oechsle, the wine displays a clear and fine raisin bouquet with delicate, coolish and refreshing aromas of slate, flint stone, lime and lemon. Concentrated, sweet and lush on the palate yet also very piquant due the 30% botrytis, this is a crystalline, enormously fresh and even digestible Auslese in great balance. The wine is stimulatingly salty on the spectacular finish, even mouthwatering, with citrus aromas. Bottled with 7.5% alcohol. 300 liters produced. Tasted from AP 12 20 in May 2020.

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**96**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Treppchen  
Riesling Spätlese**

Entirely based on healthy grapes from the first-class parcels Kribslay and Hödlay, the 2019 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Spätlese opens with a picture-book bouquet of a Spätlese from this amazing terroir. Clear, intense, precise and flinty on the nose, offering perfectly ripe Riesling fruit with weathered slate as well as herbal aromas in a highly delicate and even floral way. Round and piquant on the well-concentrated, filigreed and finessed yet juicy palate, this is a gorgeously salty and piquant Spätlese with a highly stimulating finish and ripe apple aromas on the aftertaste. This is buoyant, frisky and highly elegant, possibly the finest Treppchen Spätlese I have tasted from Christian Hermann so far (from AP 7 20 in May 2020). Fermented entirely in stainless steel. Total production: 6,000 bottles. 9% alcohol.

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**98+**

**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Herzlei  
Riesling  
Trockenbeerenauslese  
Alte Reben (Long  
Gold Capsule)**

The radiant, yellow-golden 2019 Erdener Herzlei Riesling Trockenbeerenauslese Alte Reben (Long Gold Capsule) comes from five terraces of 120- to 130-year-old vines on blue and gray slate soils whose grapes were picked at 220° Oechsle. The bouquet is very concentrated and still reductive, displaying candied ginger and lemon zest as well as lemon liquor and grapefruit aromas. Highly concentrated and sweet but also incredibly delicate, finessed and elegant on the viscous yet fascinatingly piquant palate, this is a picture-book Herzlei TBA in a beautifully balanced and digestible style. Fresh orange flavors and remarkable acidity populate the contracting and salty finish along with a honeyed sweetness that is pretty high but never sticky. Fifty liters were bottled with 6.5% alcohol and 370 grams of unfermented sugar per liter balanced by 14 grams per liter of total acidity. Still a sweet and fat baby yet with great energy and spectacularly huge talents. Tasted from AP 15 20 in May 2020.

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**2019 Dr. Hermann  
Piesporter  
Goldtröpfchen  
Riesling Grosses  
Gewächs**

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The 2019 Piesporter Goldtröpfchen Riesling Grosses Gewächs is based on entirely healthy grapes that were picked with 96° Oechsle and vinified in a traditional fuder. The intensely yellow colored wine shows a clear, ripe, refined and complex bouquet with lovely sur lie aromas. Round and elegant on the palate, this is a mouth-filling, lush and fruity Goldtröpfchen with a crystalline, refined and refreshing mineral expression. Although it didn't ferment to fully dry and was bottled with 12 grams of residual sugar, the wine is perfectly round and finessed and doesn't taste sweet, not even off-dry. This is a long-distance runner that should be kept for about 5-6 years but can be enjoyed for much longer. Tasted as a sample in June 2020.

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**94**

**2018 Dr. Hermann  
Erdener Treppchen  
Riesling Alte Reben  
(Gold Capsule)**

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The 2018 Erdener Treppchen Riesling Alte Reben (Gold Capsule) is a selection from 100% healthy grapes from 100-year-old vines that were picked at 97° Oechsle. Vinified with 10% whole berries for one year sur lie. The intensely yellow colored Treppchen is beautifully pure, refined and flinty on the complex and refreshingly mineral nose. Lush and round on the palate, this is a powerful, rich, very intense but fine, elegant, firmly structured and sustainable Riesling that didn't ferment to fully dry but to a tensioned balance with grip and an expressive finish. This is a great wine that will reach its peak in about 5-7 years yet can be cellared for many more years. 12% alcohol. Tasted from AP 32 19 in June 2020.

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