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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #10

The 2019 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #10 is intense and floral and later flinty and smoky on the nose that displays ripe and sun-spoiled notes. Lush and precise on the refined and crystalline palate, this is a more generous and refined Spätlese with a quiet flow and a stimulatingly salty finish.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Spätlese

The 2019 Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Spätlese is precise, fresh and pure on the nose that displays notes grated lemon rind and crushed stones. Round, piquant and juicy on the palate, this is an utterly refined yet sustainable and firmly structured Spätlese with dense and vibrating fresh Riesling fruit whose sweetness is well-compensated by mineral grip, salinity and tension. 7.5% alcohol. Tasted from AP 08 20 in June 2010.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Kabinett

The 2019 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Kabinett opens to a clear and very delicate bouquet with the typical refined smoky slate aroma that is perfectly intertwined with ripe and elegant fruit. The attack on the palate is finely racy and vital, giving way to an almost dry tasting purity that leads to the fine, almost dry and seriously mineral finish. The 2019 Domprobst Kabinett is perfectly balanced and finessed yet tensioned and highly stimulating in its piquant and vivacious finish. This is an extraordinary Kabinett indeed. 8% alcohol. Tasted in June 2020.

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# 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Auslese #15 (Auction)

The 2019 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Auslese #15 (Auction) offers a clear, intense, deep, fresh, concentrated, flinty as well as lemon-scented bouquet with notes of crushed stones, lemon rind and a delicate botrytis note. There is great precision and a spicy intensity here! Sweet and lush but highly refined and delicate on the palate, this is a crystalline, nervy, piquant, balanced and tensioned Auslese with a long, intense finish. The remarkable acidity and piquancy meets a significant amount of sweetness. A giant at a baby stage. 7.5% alcohol. Tasted from AP 15 20 in June 2020.

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#### 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese

Schaefer's 2019 Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese is very clear, bright, fresh and flinty on the coolish, pure and spicy nose with aromas of lime rind. Sweet, lush and finessed on the palate, this is a pure, piquant, highly elegant, tight and intense Auslese with very attractive fruit and a dense, super stimulating, salty and grippy finish that gives a great counterpoint to the sweetness. Outstanding! 7.5% alcohol. Tasted from AP 09 20 in June 2020.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #5

The 2019 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #5 is clear and coolish on the flinty nose that represents perfectly ripe and precise fruit with some minty notes. Lush and piquant on the palate, this is a pure, tight, refreshing, stimulatingly piquant and salty and finessed Spätlese with a lot of grip and expression. Tasted from AP 5 20 in June 2020.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese

The 2019 Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese is intense, fresh and pure on the deep and complex yet highly refined, flinty, aromatic and tropical nose. Noble on the palate, this is a dense yet subtle, buoyant and piquant Auslese with a highly refined raisin aroma and perfectly balanced sweetness, thanks to its delicately racy acidity and lightness. This is a beautifully digestible Auslese. 7.5% alcohol. Tasted from AP 18 20 in June 2020.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese

The 2019 Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese opens with a perfectly ripe, intense, tropical yet refined, elegant and slatey bouquet with floral notes on the refined, typical WSU nose. The palate is lush, round and voluptuous yet also very delicate and elegant, with lots of charm and substance. The finish is serious, expressive and structured for a long run. The wine already drinks dangerously well yet can be aged for up to 30 years easily. 7.5% alcohol. Tasted in June 2020.

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#### 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Riesling Trocken

Christoph Schaefer's 2019 Graacher Riesling Trocken offers an intense, ripe and delicately slatey bouquet. The wine is round and fresh on the palate, as well as pretty rich and intense and, thus, doesn't need any residual sugar to give a round and elegant impression. The finish is tight and mineral and reveals impressive intensity for just 11.5% alcohol. Tasted in June 2020. Schaefer also produced a Grosses Gewächs from the Graacher Himmelreich again in 2019, but I haven't yet tasted that wine, which will be sold from September onward.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Auslese #11

The 2019 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Auslese #11 is coolish, clear and fresh on the spicy, even peppery nose with lemon and cumquat notes. The attack on the palate is refreshingly racy. The wine is pure, transparent, light and fresh, and it finishes with very stimulating lemon fruit and salinity. Pretty digestible already. 7.5% alcohol. Tasted from AP 11 20 in June 2020.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #13 (Auction)

The 2019 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #13 (Auction) offers a deep, ripe, complex, refreshingly slatey, very fine and elegant bouquet of ripe fruit aromas and crushed stones. Sweet, piquant and fresh on the palate, this is an ample, fresh, salty-piquant and light-footed yet also rich, intense, persistent and complex Domprobst Spätlese for a long-distance run. Tasted in July 2020.

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# 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Beerenauslese

The 2019 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Beerenauslese opens with very clear and lemony botrytis and raisin aromas intertwined with fine slate aromas. Racy-piqaunt on the the first attack, this is a sweet but delicate and even filigreed BA with a frisky character. The finish is still sweet but very long and provided with piquancy and finesse. This should be a great BA in 10 or 20 years. 6.5% alcohol. Tasted from AP 16 20 in June 2020.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Riesling Feinherb

The 2019 Graacher Riesling Feinherb comes in with 11% alcohol and opens with ripe and intense fruit on the nose. Quite rich and round on the palate this is a charming yet quite powerful medium-dry Riesling with rather mild yet finessed acidity. A mouth-filling wine that should be aged for at least 5 years. Tasted in June 2020.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Kabinett

The 2019 Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Kabinett is very clear and elegant on the nose that offers ripe fruit and slatey tones. On the palate, this is a light but mouth-filling, mineral and stimulatingly salty Kabinett with remarkable balance and just the perfect amount of residual sugar. This is a seductive and stimulating classic made from fully ripe grapes. 8% alcohol.

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## 2019 Willi Schaefer Graacher Domprobst Riesling Auslese #14

The 2019 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Auslese #14 is ripe, deep, coolish, fresh and flinty yet darker-toned than the sibling Auslese with AP 11 or namely the Himmelreich Auslese. Sweet and lush as well as piquant and finessed on the palate, this is a very clear, precise and salty-crystalline yet highly refined and even mouth-filling Auslese with utterly balanced finesse yet also tight grip and tension. Still very young but with a lot of energy and aging potential. 7.5% alcohol. Tasted from AP 14 20 in June 2020.

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