

Stuart Pigott: „..... 2020 is clearly an excellent vintage for wines of this style in the Mosel. They remind us of the excellent 2017s, but the best of them, like the Kabinetts from Willi Schaefer, are even more extraordinary...”

2020 Graacher Riesling trocken

18 Sep, 2021 – At first a touch of fresh cream. Then, as it aerates, fresh-herb and orange-peel notes develop. Very clean and pure on the light-to medium-bodied palate with wet-stone freshness. Bright, herbal finish with a hint of tannin. Drink now. Screw cap. **92/100**

2020 Graacher Riesling feinherb

18 Sep, 2021 – The nose delights with a wide spectrum of citrus and stone fruit, as well as a slew of floral notes. At once juicy and elegant, this shows remarkable finesse for the village category. Such an uplifting finish, thanks to the wet-stone character. Drink or hold. Screw cap. **94/100**

2020 Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Kabinett

18 Sep, 2021 – The range of aromas of this Kabinett spans the gulf between spring flowers and wet earth. Very cool and elegant, with a ton of slatey minerality that makes this sleek and svelte riesling extremely invigorating. And, yes, there is some unfermented grape sweetness in there, but it seems to float weightlessly in the air. The remarkable depth comes through at the very long and pure finish. Drink or hold. **95/100**

2020 Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Kabinett

18 Sep, 2021 – So many fresh floral notes, plenty of orange zest, sage and a whiff of smoke. Juicy stone fruit and lively acidity, with very well integrated natural grape sweetness that you feel less and less as the wine flows over your palate into the delicate, wet-stone and rock-salt finish. Drink or hold. **94/100**

2020 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Kabinett

18 Sep, 2021 – Feel the dark side of the Kabinett force! Plenty of cassis and grapefruit aromas, but also ripe stone fruit, darker wild berries, wet earth and rocks. And the interplay of these is what makes this wine so exciting. Extremely long and graceful finish that makes it almost impossible not to reach for the glass again. Drink or hold. **95/100**

2020 Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Spätlese

18 Sep, 2021 – The extremely fresh white-peach, herbal and savory nose pulls you into this sleek and vibrant Spätlese that's brimming with white-flower and wet-stone character. Dances over your palate with the greatest of ease. Very long, pure and poised finish. Drink or hold. **96/100**

2020 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #10

18 Sep, 2021 – Mind-blowing nose of cassis and forest berries with white flowers and

a hint of cedar. Staggering depth, packed into a very sleek silhouette, but the brilliant acidity and enormous wet-stone freshness are even more astonishing, because they completely distract you from the natural grape sweetness for a long while. So enjoyable now, but with such a great future ahead of it. Drink or hold. **97/100**

2020 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #05

18 Sep, 2021 – Could a modern Mosel Spätlese be more classic than this? Stunningly ripe stone-fruit and floral character, married to considerable richness, with an almost buttery texture on the mid-palate. Long and succulent finish that remains fresh and vivid. Drink or hold. **97/100**

2020 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Auslese #11

18 Sep, 2021 – In spite of the ripeness, which edges in a caramelized direction, this retains dramatic freshness that builds and builds as it flows across the palate. The concentration is underplayed, so that the whole composition comes across as extremely delicate. Lime freshness and floral delicacy at the finish. Who can resist these charms? Drink or hold. **97/100**

2020 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Kabinett #01 (Auction)

18 Sep, 2021 – At first, this has a very smoky nose, but that's like the flower bud from which the enveloping white-peach, honeysuckle, and ginger aromas unfurl. For the category, this is extraordinarily concentrated and refined, but with enormous tension that makes the palate as bright as a supernova, visible in the heavens in broad daylight. Such a long, silky finish. Drinkable now, but best from 2022. **97/100**

2020 Graacher Domprobst Riesling Spätlese #13 (Auction)

18 Sep, 2021 – Full fathom five! Open your mind and let the stone-fruit, floral and blackberry aromas pour over you, as you sink into these calm depths, where everything that makes this grape special is present. And it's all so beautifully interwoven. The sweetness underlines all this in a nearly perfect way. Drink or hold. **98/100**

2019 Himmelreich Riesling Grosse Lage

18 Sep, 2021 – Very striking nose of dried herbs and Indian spices and, with aeration, also caramelized-apricot and pear aromas. Rich and creamy with a pretty, dry balance, even though there are a few grams of unfermented grape sweetness in there. Then fresh herbs and minerals rise up out of the depths and give this surprising freshness at the finish. Drink or hold. **95/100**