



DR. LOOSEN VINOUS REVIEWS

October 2025

Erni Loosen said, "Two thousand twenty-four was not an easy year. There was rain, dryness, and even though it was a warm vintage, ripeness was not a given." Here, as everywhere, moderate alcohols define the collection. Electric Kabinetts and sensational Spätlesen very clearly take the crown this year. Picking at Dr. Loosen started with base wine for Pinot Noir Sekt on October 3. Pre-harvests of Riesling began in the last week of September and finished in the first week of November. Loosen also showed his tradition releases from the estate's vast reserves, where he lays down 50-60,000 bottles each year. These mature releases show just how enduring Riesling is, how effortlessly and gracefully it ages. The Kabinett Tradition is from 2012, the Spätlese from 1993—a dream—and an Auslese from 2008 is simply superb. Anyone who holds Riesling in good conditions need not worry, these wines just last.

Dr. Loosen Riesling Erdener Prälat Grosses Gewächs Réserve 2019 – 97 Points

The 2019 Riesling Erdener Prälat Grosses Gewächs Réserve is lifted with earthiness and crushed dandelion leaf on the nose. All is framed with dried lemon zest, rising with clarity and drive. The palate is smooth, rounded and shimmering with gorgeously red-cheeked peach fruit that is fresh and bright, despite the evolution of the wine. This has a beautiful richness at its core and, on the finish, an inherent citric coolness that is straight and endless. The aftertaste is sensational, encompassing, long and intense. (Bone-dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2030 - 2065

Dr. Loosen Riesling Erdener Prälat Auslese Goldkapsel 2024 – 95-97 Points

The 2024 Riesling Erdener Prälat Auslese Goldkapsel was made from botrytized fruit but that is not immediately evident on the nose, where fresh fruit still shines with citrus. Its sweetness is like candied tangerine, with intensity rather than aroma that expresses the botrytis here. The 2024 is beautifully contoured with zestiness, alive with tanginess, wonderfully balanced and so clean-cut. (Bone-dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2028 - 2060

Dr. Loosen Riesling Blauschiefer 2024 – 88 Points

The 2024 Riesling Blauschiefer was harvested in Bernkastel, Graach, Wehlen and Zeltingen on blue slate soils. Gentle creaminess on the nose leads to a supple, full and smooth palate. Citrus appears on the finish with a smoky, stony verve. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2030

Dr. Loosen Riesling Rotschiefer 2024 – 88 Points

The 2024 Riesling Rotschiefer is from the villages of Erden and Ürzig, famed for their red soils. Gentle savor of red apple rises from that creaminess while the palate tingles with zesty brightness. Lovely red apple and citrus notes define the finish. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2030



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Dr. Loosen Riesling Satyricus 2024 – 88-90 Points

The 2024 Riesling Satyricus was made as a lighter style of dry Riesling, picked in the Wehlener Klosterberg. It spent a year in barrel and is wonderfully flinty and scented on the nose. The palate is super slender, light and bright. It flows and refreshes. The 2024 is a squeaky clean and quintessential Mosel. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2035

Dr. Loosen Riesling Graacher 2024 – 89-91 Points

The 2024 Riesling Graacher is from vines planted in 1989 in the Graacher Himmelreich in the Abtsberg parcel. The palate is immensely juicy, bright and is full of zest. Tender apricot shimmers in the distance, colored with stone and lemon. The palate is slender, smooth and shimmering with that citric elegance. The 2024 is really fine. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2035

Dr. Loosen Riesling Lösnicher Försterlay Grosses Gewächs 2024 – 88-90 Points

The 2024 Riesling Lösnicher Försterlay Grosses Gewächs is from red slate. It tingles with lovely notions of red apple on the nose. The palate is slender, with a touch of creamy oak, a sinuous body and zesty savor. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2040

Dr. Loosen Riesling Bernkasteler Johannisbrünnchen Grosses Gewächs 2024 – 90-92 Points

The 2024 Riesling Bernkasteler Johannisbrünnchen Grosses Gewächs comes with a fleeting note of slate wrapped in gentle creaminess. The palate is smooth, with a fill of pale yellow plum and bright lemon. Zesty citrus defines the finish with a sense of grapefruit. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2040

Dr. Loosen Riesling Graacher Domprobst Grosses Gewächs 2024 – 92-94 Points

The 2024 Riesling Graacher Domprobst Grosses Gewächs is shy on the nose. It is on the palate that the citrus verve and zestiness appear on a svelte but compact body. Smooth flow gives a feel of juicy plum but the finish returns to stone and pithiness, providing a sense of lightness and elegance. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2028 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Bernkasteler Lay Grosses Gewächs 2024 – 92-94 Points

The 2024 Riesling Bernkasteler Lay Grosses Gewächs is subtle but creamy on the nose. Swirling reveals ripe citrus notions. That lovely mix of creaminess and zestiness also plays on the slender palate. It tingles slightly and reveals gentle notes of chervil and blossom. The 2024 is svelte, bright and comes with an extended, zesty finish. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2028 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Kinheimer Rosenberg Grosses Gewächs 2024 – 92-94 Points

The 2024 Riesling Kinheimer Rosenberg Grosses Gewächs is shy on the nose. More swirling reveals a subtle scentedness of candied angelica. The palate is smooth, with an engaging sense of saltiness at the core. It is superbly fresh but also buffered. Nothing here is loud, all is understated and calm. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2028 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Graacher Himmelreich Alte Reben Grosses Gewächs 2024 – 93-95 Points

The 2024 Riesling Graacher Himmelreich Alte Reben Grosses Gewächs, from ancient vines that are more than a century old, starts off with a lovely, serene note of slate. The palate is bright with citric freshness, where lemon shines. The stony verve is ever-present here. It trembles with that superb slate saltiness ringing long on the finish. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2028 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Wehlener Sonnenuhr Alte Reben Grosses Gewächs 2024 – 93-95 Points

The 2024 Riesling Wehlener Sonnenuhr Alte Reben Grosses Gewächs, from ancient, ungrafted vines, has subtle savor. It shimmers with lemon and stone on the nose. The palate is citric, slaty and the picture of brightness. The 2024 is understated but profoundly lemony, zesty and so linear. It is svelte but incisive. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2028 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Alte Reben Grosses Gewächs 2024 – 92-94 Points

The 2024 Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Alte Reben Grosses Gewächs comes with a mere flicker of deadnettle on the nose, followed by a slight creaminess. Lemon and tangerine are juicy and salty on the palate and lend great concentration on a smoothly textured, compact wine. There is much extract and lovely poise here. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2028 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Erdener Treppchen Alte Reben Grosses Gewächs 2024 – 92-94 Points

The 2024 Riesling Erdener Treppchen Alte Reben Grosses Gewächs mixes red apple peel and savor with ripe citrus. The palate tingles with the zestiness of tangerine and salty flavor. A certain lightness is beautifully bedded on smooth, dense creaminess and svelteness. The 2024 is an understated but elegant Treppchen. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2028 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Unterst Pichter Grosses Gewächs Réserve 2019 – 96 Points

The 2019 Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Unterst Pichter Grosses Gewächs Réserve is from ancient, ungrafted vines in the eponymous parcel. It spent two years on lees in Fuder and four years in bottle. Supple dried fruit notes come with slightly ethereal overtones of dried yarrow crushed with apple syrup. Slight pepperiness adds verve on the nose. Superb concentration adds dried lemon, lime rind and earthy notes. This is bold, concentrated and full-on, with wonderful energy and intent. All the power and drive of the volcanic stone is right here. (Dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2060

Dr. Loosen Riesling Wehlener Sonnenuhr Tradition Kabinett 2012 – 97 Points

The 2012 Riesling Wehlener Sonnenuhr Tradition Kabinett stayed for two years on gross lees and was released with ten years of bottle age. Supple tenderness on the nose holds lemon, slate, white currant and dried lemon rind aromas. The palate has all the vivid lightness of Kabinett, with wonderful smoothness, litheness and citric vivaciousness notwithstanding a citric intensity and a completely disarming freshness that defies age. The 2012 dances, pirouettes and flirts. What a treasure. (Off-dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2060

Dr. Loosen Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Tradition Spätlese 1993 – 99 Points

The 1993 Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Tradition Spätlese is a current release. Golden and bright, it rises with the most balm-like tenderness. Mint and pale caramel unite and are dreamy and so lifted and tender on the nose. The palate has that same herbal, citric connection on a body that is agile, lithe, complete and smooth. The texture is soothing yet incisive. The 1993 is beauty and vivaciousness itself, simply somersaulting on the palate. This is how you age gracefully. Chapeau! (Medium) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2030 - 2065

Dr. Loosen Riesling Wehlener Sonnenuhr Tradition Auslese 2008 – 99 Points

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Dr. Loosen Riesling Bernkasteler Lay Kabinett 2024 – 93 Points

The 2024 Riesling Bernkasteler Lay Kabinett is beautifully bright, fresh and tender with green apple and apple blossom aromas wrapped in the scent of the ziest lemon. It is gorgeous and so serene. Lightness is central and the operative term here. The 2024 is pure and alive. (Off-dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Wehlener Sonnenuhr Kabinett 2024 – 93 Points

The 2024 Riesling Wehlener Sonnenuhr Kabinett is tender with citrus on the nose, shy but fresh. The super-slender palate is lightness itself, a veil of lemon spray, stone and ease. It is wonderful, animating and weightless. (Off-dry) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Kabinett 2024 – 92 Points

The 2024 Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Kabinett throws red apple peel and a touch of clementine in the ring. The palate is light, bouncing with juiciness, stoniness and tangerine pith. The body is lightness itself, with a lip-smacking finish. (Medium) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2045

Dr. Loosen Riesling Erdener Treppchen Kabinett 2024 – 93 Points

The 2024 Riesling Erdener Treppchen Kabinett still shows the flintiness of reduction on the nose. Supple orange comes with an edge of earthiness and brightens with a tinge of citrus. All is slender but full of flavor. The lip-smacking finish has a touch of herbal tisane and candied lemon. (Medium) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2050

Dr. Loosen Riesling Wehlener Sonnenuhr Spätlese 2024 – 94-96 Points

The 2024 Riesling Wehlener Sonnenuhr Spätlese presents wet slate first and foremost. All is imbued with tenderness that seemingly emanates from the ripest touch of lemon zest. Slenderness, brightness and freshness are key here. A lovely medium sweetness makes this eminently drinkable, absolutely elegant and so utterly fine. (Medium) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2028 - 2055

Dr. Loosen Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Spätlese 2024 – 93-95 Points

The 2024 Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten Spätlese comes with a touch of deadnettle, red stone and red apple peel on the nose. Juiciest orange and tangerine sweetness on the palate is tempered by ripe zestiness. Lightness, svelteness and brightness are central to the 2024, turning it into a seductive, savory, stony proposition. (Sweet) – Anne Krebiehl MW Drink: 2025 - 2050