

Schieferstern Purus Riesling, Rudolf Trossen

Mosel, Germany



Product code	TN ₁₄ ZZWC
Grapes	Riesling
Country	GERMANY
ABV%	11
Case Size	6
Closure Style	Cork
Producer	Weingut Rudolf Trossen
Vintage	2020



Biodynamic



Organic



Natural



Vegan



Vegetarian



Producer

In Rudolf's own words, he feels in "a privileged situation to make a living from 2.5 hectares of vines". His early years as a boy working with his father, spraying the vines with chemicals and fertilisers led to a realisation that there must be another way. Various figures in his life shaped the direction Rudolf took. It was a book by Rudolf Steiner (the founder of the biodynamic approach to agriculture), that marked the beginning of over 40 years in biodynamic viticulture for the Trossen vines. The purity of the Trossen wines, their filigree minerality and energy seem to reflect the abundance of life both above and below the soils in these vineyards. In the winery, Rudolf takes what could be described as a sympathetic approach coaxing his wines through their ferments, some taking over a year. The purus wines are natural, the others have tiny additions of sulphur to avoid losing the vineyard expression in the glass.

Tasting Notes

The 2020 wine smells animatingly of herb garden, has a taut middle resting on a pithy, tannic acid framework reminiscent of "orange wine". The wine has the right balance of freshness, richness, length and spice.

Winemaking

" Protected from cold winds, the vineyard from which the grapes for our Schieferstern come is located in a hollow at the foot of the Hubertuslay mountain. The richly rooted slate soil gives the old but strong vines their flavor and also allows many herbs to sprout: Viper's bugloss, stonecrop, chervil, wild carrot, pimperl, fine ray, wild strawberry, etc. delight the insect world and the astonished vintner with their colors and scents. Even the rare partridge could already breed here. "