



Winemaker Ernst Loosen

DR. L SPARKLING RIESLING

DR. LOOSEN ESTATE

The Dr. Loosen estate has been in the same family for over 200 years. When Ernst Loosen assumed ownership in 1988, he realized that he had vines in some of Germany's best-rated vineyards. To maximize the potential of those vines, he dramatically crop size, uses only organic fertilization, insists on very strict fruit selection, and employs gentle cellar practices with a minimum of handling.

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Sparkling wine has a long, rich tradition in Germany, where it has been called "Sekt" since the late 1800s. Germans are the biggest consumers of sparkling wine in the world, and most of the Sekt they produce is sold at home. But it's such delightful stuff, we thought it was time for American wine drinkers to discover real German Sekt.

Dr. L Sparkling Riesling is 100% pure Riesling — the crisp, fruity grape that has made German wine famous for centuries. It is made using the Charmat method, where the second fermentation is done in a pressurized tank to keep the bubbles in the wine. This method produces bright, clean sparkling wines in a more affordable way, which makes it possible to offer this charming bubbler at a very nice everyday price.

TECHNICAL INFO

Grape Variety: 100% Riesling

Alcohol: 12.0%

Residual Sweetness: 27.8 grams/liter

Total Acidity: 6.4 grams/liter

PH: 3.06

FROM THE PRESS

[91] Wine Enthusiast

"Exuberant green floral perfume, melon and peach abound on this profoundly aromatic sparkler. It's delicate in mousse with soft, persistent bubbles and deeply penetrating flavors of stone fruit and tangerine. Vibrant and spine-tingling, it's a remarkably elegant sekt with a gentle price tag." — *April 2016*

[91] The Tasting Panel

"From the Dr. Loosen line of non-estate Rieslings, this Sekt (German sparkling wine), made using 100% Riesling and the Charmat method, offers exceptional value. Honeycrisp apple, honey and peach finishes mostly dry with just a whisper of sweetness. The acid here makes sure of it." — *April 2016*

