



## Highlights from the Press – Villa Wolf 2018



### Villa Wolf Gewürztraminer 2018

**[89] *Wine Enthusiast* — Best Buy —**

Subtle notes of crushed stone and smoke lend elegance to Gewürztraminer's more ebullient lychee and white peach flavors here. Just a shade off-dry, it's a spicy, juicy wine with a fresh, clean finish. Best enjoyed young. *December 2020*

**[88] *Fine Wine Review* By Claude Kolm**

This wine is medium-weight and spicy with apple and rose aromas and flavors in a medium-weight body, and enough acidity (no malolactic fermentation) to give an essentially-dry finish despite 18.4 g/l residual sugar. *February 2020*



### Villa Wolf Riesling 2018

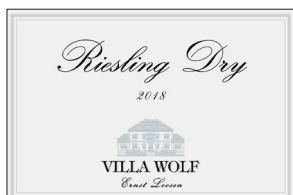
**[88] *View from the Cellar* By John Gilman**

A pretty nose of apple, pink grapefruit, white flowers, a lovely base of soil tones and a topnote of citrus peel. On the palate the wine is bright, fullish and succulent, with good acids and grip, lovely focus and a long, fairly complex finish. This is a perfect example of why it is risky for producers to bottle entry level wines with a screwcap. *July-August 2020*

**[87] *Wine & Spirits* — Best Buy —**

This is crisp and lemony, with a crunchy sense of minerality. It's brisk and refreshing, ideal for a summer Sunday brunch. *June 2020*

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### Villa Wolf Riesling Dry 2018

**[89] *Wine Enthusiast* — Best Buy —**

Hints of smoke and pine fronds accent crisp grapefruit and lime flavors in this focused dry Riesling. Medium bodied and briskly concentrated, it finishes on a firm grip of fine tannins and a crush of earthen minerality. Best enjoyed young. *August 2020*



**Villa Wolf Pinot Gris 2018**

**[89] *Wine Enthusiast* — Best Buy —**

Crisp notes of white grape and blossom perfume mouthwatering grapefruit and pear on the palate of this vibrant Pinot Gris. Dry and unoaked with a transparent fruit quality, it's a spry, thirst-quenching crowd-pleaser. Drink now. *August 2020*

**[88] *View from the Cellar* By John Gilman**

Blossoms nicely to reveal scents of apple, wheat chaff, dried flowers, a lovely base of soil and just a hint of raw almond in the upper register. On the palate the wine is bright, full-bodied and just a touch spritzig, with a fine core of fruit, good soil undertow and a long, slightly pinched from the screwcap. *July-August 2020*

**[88] *Kenswineguide.com***

This almost clear colored Pinot Gris from Germany is very good and a solid value. It opens with a fresh Anjou pear and light lime bouquet. On the palate, this wine is light bodied, acidic and zesty. The flavor profile is a mineral infused tart lime with notes of yellow grapefruit and saline. The finish is dry and refreshing. This good value Pinot Gris would pair well with grilled lemon pepper chicken. Enjoy. *January 5, 2020*

**[87] *Fine Wine Review* By Claude Kolm**

This Pinot Gris, made without oak, is racy and completely dry with ripe white fruits and an interesting contrast of juiciness offset by the acidity. *February 2020*

***The Nittany Epicurean* By Michael Chelus**

The wine showed a pale straw color. Apple, pear, lemon, peach and slate all arrived on the nose. Granny Smith apple, pear, pithy lemon, peach, slate and hints of melon followed on the palate where the melon emerged as the wine opened up. The wine exhibited electric acidity and good minerality. It was light-bodied and demonstrated good length. This wine would be a great aperitif. It would pair well with a spicy Pad Thai. *February 5, 2020*



**Villa Wolf Pinot Noir Rosé 2018**

**[89] *Wine Enthusiast* — Best Buy —**

Intensely mineral on the nose, this PinotNoir rosé offers superfresh white-peach and strawberryflavors. Crisp acidity and juicy fruit flavors should hold up well until next year's rosé release. *April 2020*

**[89] *Kenswineguide.com***

This pale pink colored wine from Germany opens with a pretty strawberry, watermelon and wet stone like bouquet. On the palate, this wine is medium bodied, slight acidic and a bit effervescent. The flavor profile is a mineral infused red cherry and strawberry blend with notes of tangerine. The finish is off-dry and refreshing. This good value Rose would pair well a grilled mahi-mahi sandwich. Enjoy. *May 1, 2019*

**[87] *Fine Wine Review* By Claude Kolm**

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***The Nittany Epicurean* By Michael Chelus**

The wine showed a very pale pink color. Strawberry, cherry, raspberry, watermelon and lemon could all be found on the berry-driven nose. Cherry, watermelon, raspberry and lemon followed on the palate. The wine exhibited good acidity and balance. It was light-bodied and demonstrated average length. This wine would be an ideal aperitif. It would also pair nicely with an assortment of charcuterie. *January 4, 2020*



**Villa Wolf Pinot Noir Rosé Sparkling NV**

**[87] *Wine Enthusiast***

Notes of crisp yellow peach and strawberry extend from nose to finish in this ripe, intensely fruity sparkling Pinot Noir. It's slightly candied on the palate but crisp sour-cherry acidity and very fine, frisky bubbles lend freshness on the finish. Enjoy now through 2023. *April 2020*



**Villa Wolf Pinot Noir 2018**

**[90] Wine Enthusiast**

Burnt caramel, violet candy and freshly dug beets scent this boldly perfumed Pinot Noir. It's an easydrinking, crisply concentrated red marked by pert red cherry and plum flavors edged by delicate char and smoke. Solidly made and priced quite reasonably, it's a super find that's best enjoyed now—2024. *April 2021*

**[89] Wine Spectator**

Round in profile, with a hint of earth and vegetal elements gracing the cherry and plum fruit. Still a bit compact on the finish. Drink now through 2025. *October 2021*



**Villa Wolf Wachenheimer Belz Riesling 2012 – Library Release**

**[93] Wine Enthusiast — Editors' Choice —**

Crisp yellow plum and white peach aromas are still vibrant but etched by notes of spice and earth in this exciting library release. Dry and moderately full-bodied, it's a richly extracted, silken wine filigreed by steel and spine-tingling acidity. Gorgeous now but should continue to improve through 2025 and hold further still. *August 2020*



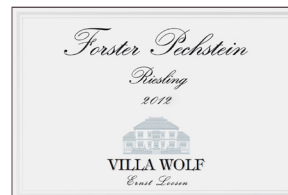
**Villa Wolf Wachenheimer Riesling 2018**

**[89+] View from the Cellar By John Gilman**

The wine offers up a precise bouquet of tart orange, breadfruit, a good base of salty minerality, gentle smokiness and a topnote of lemongrass. On the palate the wine is bright, full-bodied and quite dry in profile, with a good core, fine mineral drive and fine length and grip on the vibrant finish. *July-August 2020*

**[89] Fine Wine Review By Claude Kolm**

Although Villa Wolf is a negociant label owned by Ernie Loosen, this wine, in fact, is from vines in the Wachenheimer Königswert vineyard that are part of the J. L. Wolf estate that Loosen exploits. The wine is an excellent expression of the sandstone and loam soils with breadth in the mouth but full dryness, nervy acidity, and austere minerality. *February 2020*



**Villa Wolf Forster Pechstein Riesling 2012 – Library Release**

**[93] Wine Enthusiast**

Spicy earth and crushed mineral tones meld with succulent white peach and grapefruit in this very classic expression of the Pfalz. Dry and creamy yet pertly balanced in acidity, it's a late-release bottling that's in grand condition now but should continue to improve through 2030. *April 2020*

**[92] Wine Spectator**

A nicely developed white, featuring an interesting texture. This has integrated well over the years, with acidity serving as the backbone, helping notes of apricot, beeswax, pine and hops to stay focused. Wet stone details mark the finish. Drink now through 2024. *February 2020*