

NIK WEIS ST. URBANS-HOF



LAURENTIUSLAY GG

HIGHLIGHTS/RATINGS

Family owned since Napoleonic times

Vines older than 70 years

Nik Weis' warmest steep slope with ideal conditions for great dry wines

Yves Beck: 97 P. (vintage 2019)

James Suckling: 94 P. (vintage 2019)

Janice Robinson: 18 / 20 (vintage 2018)

Wine Spectator: 94 P. (vintage 2017)

INFORMATION

GRAPE VARIETY 100 % Riesling
TRELLISING Single posts
AGE OF VINES 30-90 years

AGEING fermented by indigenous

yeasts in large oak casks

SERVE AT 8°

ALCOHOL approx. 13.0 % vol.

THE VINEYARD

Laurentiuslay is one of our warmest vineyard sites. The word "Lay" is an old German expression for slate and thus describes the both steep and barren ground perfectly. Our vineyard's local name is "Bläsberg" and refers to the fact that wind is constantly blowing in the area. Therefore, Grapes dry naturally, which effects a better healthiness and longer ripening period. In addition to that, the skin gets thicker which causes a higher amount of grape aroma. Overall, Laurentiuslay is the vineyard of which we produce exceptional grape material in every vintage. From prestigious Grands Crus to outstanding Beeren- or Trockenbeerenauslesen, Laurentiuslay is the origin of pure indulgence.

THE WINE

Very low crop yields and the selection of perfectly ripe grapes form the basis for this outstanding Riesling. The very aromatic must got fermented by indigenous yeasts, before this then very young dry premium Riesling aged in so-called "Mosel Fuder" (1.000 liter oak barrels). Characterized by structure, power and density, aromas of pink grapefruit and other citrus fruits join this GG's taste. Due to the full-bodied style and the well-balanced acidity, Laurentiuslay GG is a wine to store for a couple of years and to pair with white meat like charcoal barbecued veal chops.

THE WINERY

Founded in 1947, the winery Nik Weis – St. Urbans-Hof has become one of the most important and classic wineries in the Mosel region. Since 2000, the Riesling winery is member of Germany's renowned VDP (Association of German Quality Wine Estates). From regional-level Estate Rieslings to prestigious Grands Crus, Nik Weis' passion is to express the unique terroir in the wines' taste. Therefore, grapes grow in at least six different, steep sites in both the Mosel and Saar valley. A traditional, mostly manual cultivation and a natural, minimalistic cellar working practice lead to elegant, well-structured and complex wines with a high ageing potential. See more: www.nikweis.com

