



Wine Region: MOSEL, GERMANY

Date Established: 1911

Winemaker: SASKIA PRÜM



Family-owned S.A. Prüm, founded in 1911 by Sebastian Alois Prüm, has been in the hands of Raimund Prüm, head winemaker and Sebastian's grandson, since 1971. Under Raimund's leadership the property has earned a reputation as one of the most successful wineries in Germany's celebrated Mosel wine region.

The Prüm family has a rich and ancient history in the mid-Mosel. Here they have owned vineyards in the towns of Berncastel, Graach, Wehlen and Zeltingen since 1156. Today, the estate comprises 40 acres of vineyards planted principally with Riesling. Over 15 acres of S.A. Prüm's holdings are located within the famed Wehlener Sonnenuhr ("sundial of Wehlen") domain. Named for the historic sundial painted on an outcrop of slate by a Prüm ancestor back in 1842, the incredibly steep Wehlener Sonnenuhr vineyard is a renowned source of what is arguably Germany's finest Riesling. Here vines average 80 years and older and benefit from plentiful sunshine – a critical factor in the world's northernmost wine-producing country. The soil is comprised of layers of finely decomposed, mineral-rich blue slate. Underneath, deep-lying aquifers provide the vines with adequate water during dry periods.

S.A. Prüm is a founding member of the Association of German Premium Wineries (VDP), a consortium of Germany's top producers. Raimund Prüm employs organic fertilization, hand-picking and strict yield control to ensure the utmost quality.

Day-to-day operations at S.A. Prüm are a family effort. Daughter Saskia Andrea (another S.A. Prüm) is integrally involved and after working at top wineries around the world, is poised to take over the reins from her father. Jennifer, Raimund's second daughter, is involved in the administrative side of the business.

**ESSENCE PINOT BLANC:** Delicate with mineral notes.

**ESSENCE RIESLING:** The "essence" of Riesling. Fresh and dynamic, from a selection of top vineyard sites in the Mosel.

**GRAACHER HIMMELREICH RIESLING EISWEIN:**  
93 Points – *Wine Enthusiast*, December 2007

**GRAACHER HIMMELREICH RIESLING SPATLESE:**  
90 Points – *Wine Enthusiast*, April 2008

**PRÜM BLUE:** Estate-bottled Riesling from vines planted on very steep slopes in blue slate soil.

**ÜRZIGER WÜRZGARTEN KABINETT:** One of the very best single vineyards in the Mosel – iron minerals in the soil create a spicy character on the palate.

**WEHLENER SONNENUHR AUSLESE RIESLING:** A single-vineyard, noble dessert Riesling. 93 Points – *Wine Spectator*, April 2007

**WEHLENER SONNENUHR BEERENAUSLESE RIESLING:**  
Nectarine, apricot and candied peaches underscored by a bracing acidity. 91 Points – *Wine Enthusiast*, December 2007

**WEHLENER SONNENUHR KABINETT RIESLING:** Lemon and peach set against a mineral backdrop and a lively acidity. 91 Points – *Wine Enthusiast*, October 2009  
90 points – *Wine Spectator*, April 30, 2009

**WEHLENER SONNENUHR TROCKENBEERENAUSLESE RIESLING:** Rarest and prized. A singular wine of exceptional intensity, elegance and finesse.

**GRAACHER DOMPROBST ERSTE LAGE RIESLING:** A single vineyard, first growth wine made from grapes that have reached Auslese ripeness and then fermented dry, resulting in a rich, complex style.

**WEHLENER SONNENUHR SPATLESE:**  
90 Points – *International Wine Cellar*, January/February 2009



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