

## Zeltingen..

the wine region in the heart of the middle Mosel has three vineyard locations, all south-facing. These are the three world-renowned regions: Zeltinger Himmelreich, Schloßberg and Sonnenuhr. They constitute the longest connected southern slope on the Mosel. The soil is composed of fine devonian schist without greywacke. It warms up quickly and stores the warmth so that the Riesling ripens on this soil to its inimitable size.

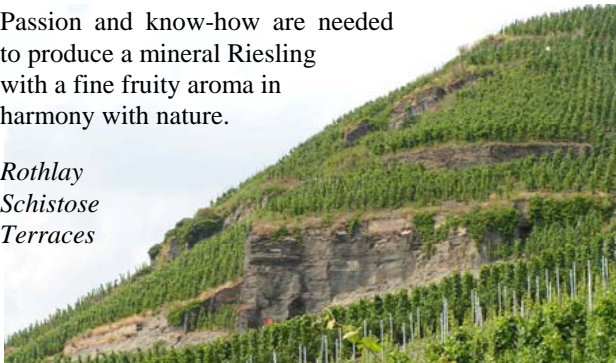


## About us..

The wine-growing estate has been family-owned since 1680 and Riesling has been the life-blood of the Gessinger family for generations. Hence we have always taken care of the quality of our wine and even before 1900 were affiliated to an association promoting wine quality. At that time there was the “Vereinigte Weingutsbesitzer Koblenz” (association of Koblenz vineyard owners) also known as VW and after its dissolution we became members of the Bernkasteler Ring (wine auction society). For 320 years, in the 9th generation, we are one with the vines and the land.

Passion and know-how are needed to produce a mineral Riesling with a fine fruity aroma in harmony with nature.

*Rothlay  
Schistose  
Terraces*



## Awards..

Our accomplishments have been confirmed by many honours and prizes: the gold medallion in “Alles über Wein” (“Everything about wine”), recommended vineyard in Gault Millau, Wein & Gourmet Feinschmecker as well as numerous medallions.

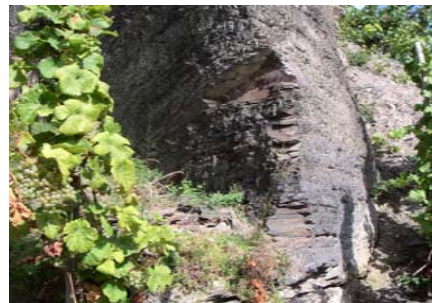
In Robert Parker’s WINE ADVOCATE a 2003 *Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Riesling Spätlese\** received 89 points, and a 2003 *Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese\*\** 92 points. We see all of these as an incentive to be even better.



Now that tradition is often replaced by innovation, the emphasis of wine manufacture moves to the cellar and through skilled “wine-making” in the cellar market-oriented nuances are produced, we hold on to the interaction between man, vine and vineyard which has evolved.

For many generations we have brought out the exceptional quality of the terroir and the individual character of the region in our wines. The results are authentic wines from Qualitätswein (wine of certified origin and quality) up to Auslese made in the traditional way. This produces wines with enormous potential for ageing.

*Fine  
Devonian schist  
cliffs*

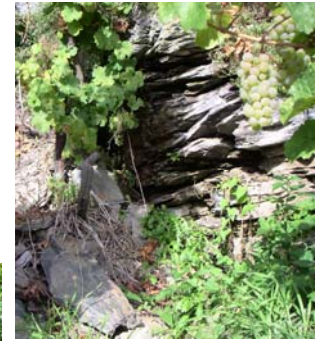


## Quality is no accident..

We deliberately chose quality over quantity. Although often economic considerations creep into the background.



*The sun dial was constructed in 1620 by an abbot from the cloister in Himmerod and gave the world-renowned region its name.*



*The land – pure mineral.*



Zeltinger Sonnenuhr is particularly close to our hearts, as it is one of the few top Riesling growing locations worldwide. The location is characterised by rock and wall terraces as well as very steep slopes with mineral devonian schist rock. We preserve these vines, which are over 100 years old, by propagating them and thereby retaining the genetic resources.

*Unique micro-  
climate in the  
rock terraces*

