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Peter Griebeler presented a squeaky-clean collection in 2025 that seems to mark another step up in precision. The wines are clear-cut and without frills, but elegant and charming nonetheless.

Griebeler described the 2025 growing season as "actually super." Some must weights were already at Kabinett level in August, so they knew it was going to be an early harvest. They started picking Pinot Noir on the first weekend of September and continued with healthy, ripe Riesling fruit in mid-September. The heavy rains that followed were "nerve-racking," Griebeler said. "In some parcels we had to sort so much, the effort was exorbitant." They finished picking before the end of September. The wines are ripe, brilliant and concentrated.

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2024 Spätburgunder Réserve — 92 Points

The 2024 Spätburgunder Réserve was picked in the Zeltinger Himmelreich, in slate facing southwest. Tart red cherry comes with lichen savoriness and tender, oaky smokiness. The palate is beautifully ripe, veers into juicy, supple, red berry fruit, almost with candy overtones, on a translucent, bright but exquisitely fresh body. This is lovely, with crunch, fine fruit and a really fine structure, conveying elegance and above all freshness. (Bone-dry)

2025 Riesling Römische Kapelle — 91 Points

The 2025 Riesling Römische Kapelle, picked entirely in the Zeltinger Himmelreich, sprays with that gorgeous and appetizing mix of lemon zest and ripe yellow apple, stretching into peach. This juiciness stays right through onto the palate, always bordered by salty, mouthwatering zestiness. What a vivid, slender but full-fruited wine with such beautiful energy. (Dry)

2025 Schlossberg Riesling — 93 Points

The 2025 Riesling Zeltinger Schlossberg, from an elevated parcel on gray slate, spent nine months on lees in barrel. Clarity gives a sense of ripe green apple. This clarity also swings along on the palate, where ripe lemony, crunchy brightness shines. This is mouthwatering, so clear-cut, so vivid and soaring, so fresh. This strikes a fine balance and punches far above its weight. (Bone-dry)

2025 Riesling Tonneau — 93 Points

The 2025 Riesling Tonneau is from both Schlossberg and Himmelreich in Zeltingen and made in used tonneaux, between third and tenth use, with a tiny proportion of slightly botrytized fruit. Aromatic apple ripeness and crunchiness are united on the nose. Bright acidity fuses with ripe fruit to create a dollop-like roundedness of texture that glides. Concentration comes with perfect contour and without fat. Tender spice follows along with apple and lemon on the finish. (Bone-dry)

2025 Sonnenuhr GG Rotlay Riesling trocken — 95 Points

The 2025 Riesling Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Rotlay GG, despite its name, is from blue slate from a parcel just underneath Zeltingen's sundial and made in *Fuder*. A touch of yeastiness still clings to the nose. The next sniff brings iced pear and beautiful crunch. Exquisitely bright and juicy ripeness is key. This is so wonderfully heightened by thrilling, really ripe acidity; it is direct, has bundled energy and such a mouthwatering, slightly slate-salted echo. (Bone-dry)

2025 Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten GG — 94 Points

The 2025 Riesling Ürziger Würzgarten GG is the first vintage of this wine, from a leased parcel of ungrafted vines planted around 20 years ago in the steep reddish stone. This was made in one fifth-use tonneau. This is exquisitely aromatic with the tender savor of fresh and dried fern surrounding aromatic red apple. The palate still has a little yeastiness, but is supple, bright and juicy, adding some tangerine notes to that fern and red apple vibe in the same clean-cut, precise and bright house style. A lovely touch of pepper defines the finish. (Bone-dry)

2025 Riesling Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Zulast GG — 94 Points

The 2025 Riesling Zeltinger Sonnenuhr Zulast GG is named after the 500-liter barrel in which it was made. The smooth creaminess of the oak immediately soothes the lemon and dials into apricot expression. This is wonderfully rounded, with oaky smoothness rather than flavor coloring this and really bringing the creamy, aromatic ripeness of apricot to the fore. (Bone-dry)

2025 Riesling Piesporter Goldtröpfchen GG — 95 Points

The 2025 Riesling Piesporter Goldtröpfchen GG was fermented in fifth-use 500-liter barrels and has gorgeous savor. Creaminess is pervaded by exquisitely aromatic apple peel and lemon smoothness. More air almost brings a hint of ripe Williams pear. This is flowing, supple, rounded but so beautifully fresh and juicy. The finish is lemon, with a phenolic veil and such mouthwatering saltiness. (Bone-dry)

2025 Weissburgunder Réserve — 91 Points

The 2025 Weissburgunder Réserve is picked in Zeltingen only, fermented in tonneaux. Slight nuttiness on the nose comes with an earthy vibe that slowly rises into lemon brightness. The palate is supple and smooth, bringing bright fruit, suppleness and flow. An oak-kissed brightness defines this, as does understatement. (Bone-dry)

2025 Riesling Himmelreich Kabinett — 92 Points

The 2025 Riesling Himmelreich Kabinett, from the Zeltinger Himmelreich, trembles with slate and lemon on the nose. Brightness, sprightliness, energy and vivid freshness just dance on slate. This is lemony light-footedness in liquid form, framed with lemon zestiness. This vibrates with energy. (Off-dry)

2025 Riesling Himmelreich Auslese 110° — 94 Points

The 2025 Riesling Himmelreich Auslese 110° is from botrytized fruit only. Honeyed peachiness on the nose turns into candied lemon peel on the palate. This presents utter precision and such concentration on an arrow-like, taut palate that is defined by acid rather than sugar, deliciously so. (Sweet)

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