

October 2017

Harvest Report 2017

Start of the harvest 2nd of October 2017 End of harvest 21th of October 2017

Average yield per hectare 29 hl/ha (on the total property)

Dear friends and partners of Villa Huesgen,

The 2017 harvest is finally over! It has been a very complicated vintage that has required a most careful work in the vineyards like never before. We are very proud of the work we have done and we thank all the good helpers and fast working hands that produced such a good quality. Hooray!

The year started with frost, followed with a lot of rainfall in May and June and hot temperatures in July. Unfortunately, we had lots of rain and even hailstorms in August and September! The result was a rather poor harvest from the quantitative point of view, but in the cellar we have discovered a very good quality.

We began our harvest in the "Enkircher Steffensberg" site by preselecting our grapes, followed in the "Trabener Würzgarten" with the *Villa Huesgen Schiefer Riesling*. We ended with picking the *Villa Huesgen Alte Reben* in the "Enkircher Steffensberg" and in the new vineyard "Enkircher Zeppwingert" by picking our *Villa Huesgen Riesling Auslese*.

The musts from the 2017 vintage we tasted are excellent and very classic, as we harvested every batch in the "Spätlese" category. However: We lost about 35% of a normal harvest.

We will release one new wine in 2018 for the first time: *Villa Huesgen Riesling Enkircher Zeppwingert*. Let me surprise you with the new vintage at ProWein 2018 in Düsseldorf. We will be delighted to let you taste our new 2018 vintage "Made by happy people".

Best regards

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