

## 2017 Cat Bottle Rheinhessen Riesling Qualitätswein

<b>Variety:</b>	Riesling
<b>Origin:</b>	<p>Rheinhessen, Germany</p> <p>The Rheinhessen region is Germany's largest wine growing region. Its beginnings go back to the Romans who already planted vines along the banks of the Rhine River.</p> <p>It enjoys the climate of a protected basin and is an area with some of Germany's warmest and driest climate. Overall, it has low precipitation, warm summers and mild winters.</p> <p>Riesling is grown on approx. 9,400 acres, which represents 14% of the total vineyards.</p>
<b>Vintage Note:</b>	<p>2017 was a demanding year with capricious weather conditions such as severe frost in late April, a too dry late spring and early summer, followed by a historically early harvest and historically low yields. Grapes were harvested at excellent ripeness levels. Wines are intense, fruit driven with very good structure.</p>
<b>Winemaking:</b>	<p>Grapes from selected vineyards have been chosen to produce this Riesling.</p> <p>Gentle pressing, strict purification of musts, fermentation with selected yeasts under temperature controlled conditions, storage in stainless steel tanks until bottling.</p>
<b>Wine Analysis:</b>	<p>Alc. 10.0 % vol.</p> <p>Residual Sugar 30.0 g/l = 3.0 %</p> <p>Acidity 7.0 g/l</p>
<b>Winemakers Tasting Note:</b>	<p>The wine is full flavoured with pear and citrus aromas. Stimulating on the palate, as well as fresh and fruity. It has a nice sweetness balanced with the typical crisp Riesling acidity.</p>
<b>Food Matches:</b>	<p>It ideally pairs with lighter or spicy cuisine or simply on its own.</p> <p>Serving temperature: 8-10°C</p>

