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URZIGER WURZGARTEN RIESLING SPATLESE

THE ESTATE: The Christoffel family in Ürzig, is related by marriage to the Prüm family in Wehlen. The estate is run by Karl Josef Christoffel has an extensive library of well-aged wines.

THE VINEYARD: The vineyard area is 5 hectares. The best vineyards include Ürziger Würzgarten, Erdener Prälat Erdener Treppchen, and Wehlener Sonnenuhr.

THE VINES: Ungrafted vines, a high percentage of which are quite old, all hand-harvested.

VINIFICATION: All wines are fermented in the traditional 1000 Liter barrels with the natural yeast. This gives the wines a great aging potential.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Riesling

TASTING NOTES: The crown jewel of the wines from Ürziger Würzgarten assume that, as the name suggests, a very spicy character, and with time gives the wines an exotic touch. Delicious treats in the true sense. The aromas on this wine are killer! Great honey scents blend with fresh decadent apricots. Notes of mineral back things up, making it even more interesting. It's bright and clean on the palate delivering flavors that suggest alfalfa touched by the summer sun. Limes, red apples, and minerals roll across the tongue like a trickling stream. Later, honey flavors balanced wonderfully by acidity linger evenly on the palate.

