

Tasting Alsace Wines By Bruce Sanderson

Pinot Gris Grand Cru Kitterlé 2005 91 / 100

The lightly floral nose belies the intensity of this off-dry white. The silky palate shows honeyed flavors of guava and peach, to which a slightly bitter orange peel note is a pleasant counterpoint. Ends with a delicious, mouthwatering tang. Drink now through 2020. Tasted twice, with consistent notes.

Pinot Gris Grand Cru Kessler 2005 91 / 100

This lush white is perfumed and smoky, with flavors of dried apricot and guava underscored by tangerine and spice. Has a creamy mouth feel and a lingering juicy finish. Drink now through 2020.

Pinot Gris Grand Cru Spiegel 2005 90 / 100

There's a spicy edge to the dried apricot and grapefruit flavors in this white, accented by racy acidity and a thread of honey. Delicate with finely tuned balance. Drink now through 2018.

Pinot Gris Princes Abbés 2005 87 / 100

Round and fleshy, like biting into a fresh peach, this white also has a vibrant structure. A hint of apricot and smoke flavors enter on the finish. Drink now trough 2010.

Gewurztraminer Grand Cru Kitterlé 2005 89 / 100

Rich and focused, with juicy flavors of lychee, rose and honey. Charming and very open, with a hint of grapefruit peel on the finish. Drink now through 2015.

Gewurztraminer Fleur 2005 88 / 100

A delicate style and on the dry side, this evokes citrus and lychee notes. Remains demure through the moderate finish. Drink now.

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