VIEW FROM THE CELLAR

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Weingut Max Ferdinand Richter

2018 Veldenzer Elisenberger Riesling Kabinett Mosel, Germany

Score: 93+ Points

The 2018 Elisenberger Kabinett was still in cask and was absolutely singing at the time of my visit. Constantin Richter estimates that the wine finished up around 8.5 percent in alcohol, with close to fifty grams of residual sugar and acids at 8.8 grams. The bouquet is superb, wafting from the glass in a fine blend of gooseberry, bee pollen, a touch of red berry, salty minerality and a lovely topnote of currant leaf. On the palate the wine is pure, medium-full and nicely filigreed, with lovely intensity of flavor, superb, salty mineral drive, snappy acids and a very long, transparent and utterly classical finish. A beautiful Kabinett.

