

Tasting:	Weingut Martin Conrad		
Place and date:	Essen, January 2018		
Type:	Open tasting, not blind		Contact/ Info: https://www.martinconrad.de
Introduction text:			
<p>Martin Conrad represents the 14th generation of his family in the world of wine. 1558 his ancestors were first mentioned for growing grapes in Brauneberg. However for Martin Conrad tradition does not exclude innovation. Since 1998 he produces vegan wines and in 1999 after successfully finishing his studies he took over the winery from his father. Today he is an acclaimed wine producer and one may find his Rieslings also in Michelin-starred restaurants. His winery is member of the prestigious association "Bernkasteler Ring".</p>			
Vintage and Wine	Producer	Rating	Tasting note
2016 "Conradus" Riesling trocken	Weingut Martin Conrad	88	Bright yellow colour with green hue. Excellent nose with distinct minerality, juicy fruit, hints of ripe apricots and a touch of lemon peel. Slightly flowery overtones in the background. On the palate well structured with juicy fruit, fine acidity and wonderful mouthfeel.
2016 Veldenzer Kirchberg Riesling trocken	Weingut Martin Conrad	86	Bright yellow colour with green hue. Rather restrained fruit on the nose but distinct minerality. Quite closed character with hints of saffron in the background. On the palate juicy, with medium bodied character and rather good length. Fine acidity and a discreet hint of sweetness in the aftertaste. Minerality and restrained fruit in the finish.
2016 Brauneberger Juffer Riesling trocken Goldkapsel	Weingut Martin Conrad	91	Intense yellow colour with. Aromatic nose with fine fruit, hints of Mirabelle, apricots and peaches, hints of white blossoms and white lilies in the background. On the palate juicy character, elegant yellow stone fruit, hints of lemon peel and citrus fruit, convincing balance and length with ripe maturity.
2016 Brauneberger Juffer Riesling GG	Weingut Martin Conrad	92	Intense yellow colour. Elegant yet aromatic nose, typical yellow stone fruit, but also hints of minerality and flowery character. Discreet slate smokiness in the background. On the palate juicy, with fine acidity and a discreet hint of sweetness in perfect balance. Excellent structure and length.
2016 Brauneberger Juffer Sonnenuhr Riesling GG	Weingut Martin Conrad	94	Intense yellow colour with an almost golden hue. Very complex and rich on the nose with distinct minerality, hints of white lilies, tangerine peel, wet slate and candied tropical fruit in the background. On the palate well structured with elegance and complexity, excellent mouthfeel and length, yellow stone fruit, white blossoms and flavour or discreet spiciness on the palate. A great wine with potential.

2015 Brauneberger Juffer Riesling GG	Weingut Martin Conrad	92	Intense yellow colour with almost golden hue. Ripe tropical fruit, apricots and peaches combined with white blossoms and discreet hints of cold smoke. On the palate excellent with ripe fruit, lingering tropical fruit in the background, well structured with excellent length.
2016 Brauneberger Juffer Riesling feinherb	Weingut Martin Conrad	88	Intense yellow colour. Elegant but slightly restrained fruit. Lemon zest and tangerine peel, hints of ripe apricots in the background. On the palate juicy, with fine acidity and elegant sweetness in good balance, aromatic fruit in the lingering aftertaste.
2016 Brauneberger Juffer Riesling Goldkapsel feinherb	Weingut Martin Conrad	90	Intense yellow colour. At the moment the nose is quite closed but opens up well if some oxygen contact is given. Hints of tropical fruit, pineapple and passionfruit, tangerine peel in the background. On the palate rather ripe yellow stone fruit, juicy apricots, hints of minerality. The acidity is well balanced by elegant sweetness, a wine with convincing length.
2016 Brauneberger Juffer Riesling Spätlese	Weingut Martin Conrad	91	Bright yellow colour. Quite closed character but opening up quite well with some aeration. Ripe mango and passionfruit, apricots and peaches, hints of mild spices in the background and a slate influenced smokiness. On the palate rich with creamy texture, elegant tropical fruit, distinct acidity but well balance by opulent sweetness. A wine with excellent length and a good potential for further evolution.
2015 Brauneberger Juffer Riesling Beerenauslese Goldkapsel	Weingut Martin Conrad	95	Intense yellow colour. Elegant nose with ripe fruit and well integrated botrytis influence. Complex and rich yet quite elegant in the nose and on the palate. Creamy texture, ripe apricots and tropical fruit on the palate with opulent sweetness and elegant acidity. Great aromatic concentration but still too young. An impressive wine.