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Rieflé-Landmann 2016 l'Étoffe

Pfaffenheim, Alsace

Red wine from France

Drinking window: 2019 - 2023

Pale red. Perfumed aromas of ripe red cherry and spices. Then fresh and round, offering simple flavors of cherry pie and Asian herbs. Finishes medium-long and clean. Rieflé told me they used the stalks and 70% whole clusters to make this wine, and so the tannins are bigger, but the wine's color is lighter. Made from grapes grown in Pfaffenheim and Westhalten on essentially marly-clay soils. Finishes long, fresh and classically dry (12.5% alcohol, 0.2 g/L residual sugar and 5.3 g/L total acidity).

Ian D'Agata. Tasting date: September 2017

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