

Wine of the Week: Kessler, Rheingau, R Riesling 2007

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Kessler, Rheingau,

R [Riesling](#) 2007, \$14.99

Riesling can be the most ethereal wine, especially when grown in Germany, where grapes often have to struggle to ripen. Where else can you get flowers, apples, peaches, citrus and dusty "fresh rainfall on gravel" notes with such clarity and focus? Take this easy sipping wine from August Kessler. It has all the previously mentioned aromas and flavors, plus a touch of sweetness and plenty of racy acidity, so it doesn't finish sweet. Plus it's just 11 percent alcohol, so it's light on the tongue. This wine is just what's needed with spicy Asian stir-fry or a winter squash soup.