

Gerolsteiner Brunnen GmbH & Co. KG was founded in 1888 and has set itself the singular task of supplying its customers with the best mineral water products, in terms of both taste and quality.

Our values and company culture embody trust, respect for our regional roots, resource conservation and ecological responsibility. We respect the past and embrace the future, which is why innovation has always been a strategic priority of ours – whether it concerns products, packaging or even internal processes.

Gerolsteiner products are consistently aligned with consumer needs and the brand stands for a clear promise of quality. We honour this promise every single day in all areas of our business: whether in our corporate processes, which encourage motivation and commitment, or in our customer focus and our innovative strengths.

Gerolsteiner Brunnen GmbH & Co. KG supplies the best-selling mineral water on the German market.

The region that Gerolsteiner Mineral Water originates from, the Volcanic Eifel in Germany, is of unique geological character. A Mineral Water of the highest quality evolves here thanks to the special combination of carbonic acid from prehistoric volcanic activity and dolomite rock known for its rich mineral content.

As the water finds its way through the various layers of rock, every drop of Gerolsteiner becomes naturally carbonated. This is an important process, as the carbonic acid allows the water to absorb the precious minerals and trace elements from the dolomite rock.

The water gathers at a depth of up to 200 meters, after filtering through various rock layers, retaining its purity and freshness thanks to the carbonic acid. To maintain this level of natural purity it is bottled directly at its source. Thus, Gerolsteiner Mineral Water is a true miracle of nature – naturally pure and protected from outside influences.

German Quality since 1888

Gerolsteiner is a Mineral Water of outstanding quality. But what exactly makes it so special? The answer: It tastes good and it does you good. Few waters combine these equally important criteria.

Due to its volcanic origin, Gerolsteiner sparkling Mineral Water inherently contains valuable minerals like calcium, magnesium and bicarbonate. It is thus beneficial to the human body, as each mineral has a specific effect on our health: Calcium is important for healthy bones and teeth, while magnesium strengthens your muscles and nerves.

Some waters taste neutral but contain only small amounts of minerals; other waters hold minerals but taste salty or bitter due to their sodium chloride or sulfate content. Due to its balanced content of calcium, magnesium and bicarbonate and comparatively small amounts of sodium and chloride, Gerolsteiner Mineral Water tastes neither salty, sour nor bitter – but pleasantly natural and neutral.

Preserving this great quality has always been Gerolsteiner's highest priority. That is why the experts at Gerolsteiner carefully monitor every single production step – from sourcing to bottling, from labelling to loading. This way Gerolsteiner can guarantee that the Mineral Water you drink from one of the bottles is in the same condition as at its source: fresh and pure!

When it comes to quality assurance, Gerolsteiner doesn't only work to comply with strict legal requirements. Every day, up to 300 water samples are taken in order to guarantee an ideal mineral ratio and the highest level of purity. Furthermore, renowned institutes like SGS Institute Fresenius and laboratories conduct regular tests.

In addition to that Gerolsteiner Brunnen GmbH & Co. KG employees a HACCP (Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point) inspection plan and complies with the requirements of food safety management system FSSC22000.

Mineral Water Analysis

Excerpt from the source approval analysis done by the SGS Institute Fresenius, Taunusstein, dated April 23rd, 1986. Besides continuous controls by the company's laboratory, regular control analyses are conducted by the independent institute SGS Institute Fresenius.

Following shown in the table is a sample mineral content showing the values required by law to be provided on the product label extended by frequently requested values.

Every liter of "Gerolsteiner Sparkling" contains:

Substance	MCL*	Gerolsteiner Sparkling Natural Mineral Water Approval Analysis
Sodium (Na+)	NR	118.00
Potassium (K+)	NR	10.80
Magnesium (Mg ²⁺)	NR	108.00
Calcium (Ca ²⁺)	NR	348.00
Chloride (Cl ⁻)	250.00	39.70
Sulfate (S0 ₄ ²⁻)	250.00	38.30
Fluoride (F ⁻)	1.4**	0.21
Lead	0.005	ND
Copper	1.00	ND
Arsenic	0,01	ND
Bicarbonate (HCO ₃ ·)	NR	1.816,00
Total Mineral Content		2.487,81

All united in mg/l or ppm (part per million) unless stated otherwise.

ND: not detectable

^{*} MCL: indicates maximum contamination level as established by US FDA for bottled water

^{**}As per FDA regulation imported bottled water to which no fluoride is added shall not contain fluoride in excess of 1.4 milligrams per liter and imported bottled water to which fluoride is added shall not contain fluoride in excess of 0.8 milligram per liter NR: not listed in state or federal drinking water regulations

Products Available in the US Market

Gerolsteiner offers an ideal size for every situation: It is available in a 0.5 liter (16.9 FL OZ) PET bottle and in a 0.75 liter (25.3 FL OZ) glass bottle, as well as in multi-packs / cases.



0.75I Glass Bottle / Case of 15 bottles



0.5l PET / Sixpack of 0.5l PET Bottles

For more information and to check the availability in stores near you, please visit our US website and store-locator: https://www.gerolsteiner-usa.com/where-to-buy.

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Volatile Organic Compounds	MCL*	RL**	Level Found Gerolsteiner Sparkling Natural Mineral Water ¹
Benzene (71-43-2)	0.005	0.0005	ND
Carbon tetrachloride (56-23-5)	0.005	0.0005	ND
Chlorobenzene	0.1	0.0005	ND
1,2- Dichlorobenzene (95-50-1)	0.6	0.0005	ND
1,4- Dichlorobenzene (106-46-7)	0.075	0.0005	ND
1,2-Dichloroethane (107-06-2)	0.005	0.0005	ND
1,1-Dichloroethylene (75-35-4)	0.007	0.0005	ND
cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene (156-59-2)	0.07	0.0005	ND
trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene (156-60-5)	0.1	0.0005	ND
1,2-Dichloropropane (78-87-5)	0.005	0.0005	ND
Ethylbenzene (100-41-4)	0.7	0.0005	ND
Methylene Chloride	0.005	0.0005	ND
Styrene (100-42-5)	0.1	0.0005	ND
Tetrachloroethylene (127-18-4)	0.005	0.0005	ND
Toluene (108-88-3)	1	0.0005	ND
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene (120-82-1)	0.07	0.0005	ND
1,1,1-Trichloroethane (71-55-6)	0.2	0.0005	ND
1,1,2-Trichloroethane (79-00-5)	0.005	0.0005	ND
Trichloroethylene (79-01-6)	0.005	0.0005	ND
Vinyl chloride (75-01-4)	0.002	0.0003	ND
Total Xylenes (1330-20-7)	10	0.0005	ND

Pesticides and other synthetic organic compounds (SOC's)	MCL*	RL**	Level Found Gerolsteiner Sparkling Natural Mineral Water ¹
Alachlor (15972-60-8)	0.002	0.0001	ND
Atrazine (1912-24-9)	0.003	0.00005	ND
Benzo(a)pyrene (50-32-8)	0.0002	0.00002	ND
Carbofuran (1563-66-2)	0.04	0.0005	ND
Chlordane (57-74-9)	0.002	0.00005	ND
Dalapon (75-99-0)	0.2	0.001	ND
Dibromochloropropane	0.0002	0.00001	ND
2,4-D (94-75-7)	0.07	0.0001	ND
Di(2-ethylhexyl)adipate (103-23-1)	0.4	0.0006	ND
Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (117-81-7)	0.006	0.0006	ND
Dinoseb (88-85-7)	0.007	0.0002	ND
Diquat (85-00-7)	0.02	0.0004	ND
Endothall (145-73-3)	0.1	0.0075	ND
Endrin (72-20-8)	0.002	0.00001	ND
Ethylene dibromide (106-93-4)	0.00005	0.00001	ND
Glyphosate (1071-53-6)	0.7	0.006	ND
Heptachlor (76-44-8)	0.0004	0.00003	ND
Heptachlor epoxide (1024-57-3)	0.0002	0.00001	ND
Hexachlorobenzene (118-74-4)	0.001	0.00005	ND
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene (77-47-4)	0.05	0.00005	ND
Lindane (58-89-9)	0.0002	0.00001	ND
Methoxychlor (72-43-5)	0.04	0.00005	ND
Oxamyl (23135-22-0)	0.2	0.0005	ND
Pentachlorophenol (87-86-5)	0.001	0.00004	ND
PCB's (as decachlorobiphenyl) (1336-36-3)	0.0005	0.0001	ND
Picloram (1918-02-1)	0.5	0.0001	ND
Simazine (122-34-9)	0.004	0.00005	ND
2,3,7,8-TCDD (Dioxin) (1746-01-6)	3 * 10-8	5.0*10-9	ND
Toxaphene (8001-35-2)	0.003	0.0005	ND
2,4,5-TP (Silvex) (93-72-1)	0.05	0.0002	ND

Inorganic Minerals and Metals	MCL*	RL**	Level Found Gerolsteiner Sparkling Natural Mineral Water ¹
Antimony	0.006	0.001	ND
Arsenic	0.01	0.002	ND
Aluminum	0.2	0.02	ND
Barium	2.00	0.002	0.066
Beryllium	0.004	0.001	ND
Bromide	-		0.087
Cadmium	0.005	0.0005	ND
Chromium	0.1	0.005	ND
Cyanide	0.2	0.025	ND
Chloride***	250.00	2.5	34
Copper	1	0.002	ND
Fluoride	1,4****	0.05	0.32
Iron***	0.03	0.02	ND
Lead	0.005	0.0005	ND
Manganese***	0.05	0.002	0.0084
Mercury	0.002	0.0002	ND
Nickel	0.1	0.005	0.011
Nitrate	10.00	0.5	1.00
Nitrite	1	0.25	ND
Phenol	0.001	0.001	ND
Potassium	-	1	15.00
Selenium	0.05	0.005	ND
Silver	0.1	0.0005	ND
Sodium	-	1	93.00
Sulfate***	250.00	2.5	42.00
Thallium	0.002	0.001	ND
TDS***	500	10	1400
Zinc***	5	0.02	ND

Radiologicals	MCL*	RL**	Level Found Gerolsteiner Sparkling Natural Mineral Water ¹
Gross Alpha	15 pCi/L	3	ND
Gross Beta	50 pCi/L*****	3	15
Radium 226/228	5 pCi/L	1/1	ND
Uranium	0.030	0.001	ND

Other Parameters	MCL*	RL**	Level Found Gerolsteiner Sparkling Natural Mineral Water ¹
Alkalinity	-	2	1300.00
Asbestos	7MFL	0.2	ND
Total Coliform	Absence	1	ND
Standard Plate Found	cfu/ mL	1	ND
Turbidity	5 NTU	0.1	ND
Color***	15 CU	3	ND
Odor***	3 TON	1	ND

¹2021 analysis conducted by Eurofins Eaton Analytical, LLC. California, USA.

ND: Not detectable

MFL: Million fibers per liter.

^{*} MCL: maximum contamination level. The highest level of a substance allowed by the law in drinking water (bottled or tab water). The MCLs shown are the federal MCLs set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Food and Drug Administration, unless no federal MCL exists.

^{**}RL: indicates laboratory reporting limit for method. Where available it reflects the Method Detection Limits (MDLs) set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or the Detection Limits for Purposes of Reporting (DLRs) set by the California Department of Health Services. These values are set by the agencies to reflect the lowest concentration of each substance that can be accurately quantified by applicable testing methods and are also the minimum reporting thresholds applicable to the Consumer Confidence Reports produced by tab water suppliers.

[^] where no federal MCL exists, the MCLs shown are the California MCLs set by the California Department of Health Services. California MCLs are identified with an (^)

^{***}Mineral water is exempt from allowable level. The exemptions are aesthetically based allowable levels and do not relate to a health concern.

**** levels shall be based on the annual average of maximum daily air temperatures at the location where the bottled water is sold at retail. Imported bottled water to which no fluoride is added shall not contain fluoride in excess of 1.4 milligrams per liter.

***** Set by California Department of Health Services. The bottles water shall not contain beta particle and photon radioactivity from man-made radionuclides in excess of that which would produce an annual dose equivalent to the total body or any internal organ of 4 millirems per year calculated on the basis of an intake of 2 liters of the water per day (50 pCi/L).

Terms

"Statement of quality": The quality standards of bottled water provide the maximum legal limits for a variety of substances that are allowed in bottled water as established by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the California Department of Public Health. The standards can be no less protective of public health than the standards for public drinking water, established by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the California Department of Public Health.

"Primary drinking water standard" (PDWS): PDWS are set to provide the maximum feasible protection to public health. The goal of setting PDWS is to identify MCLs, along with their monitoring and reporting requirements and water treatment requirements which prevent adverse health effects. PDWS are established as close to the public health goal (PHG) or the maximum contamination level goal (MCLG) as is economically and technologically feasible.

"Public health goal" (PHG): PHG is the level of contamination in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. PHGs are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency.

Gerolsteiner Sparkling Natural Mineral Water. Bottled at source - Gerolstein, Germany.

Treatment Process of Gerolsteiner Sparkling Natural Mineral Water consists a.o. of the following processes:

- Filtration and Micro Filtration
- Iron Removal
- Storage in food grade storage tanks
- adding of natural CO2
- bottling

This product has been tested in accordance with California and federal law thoroughly. This bottled water is a food product and cannot be sold unless it meets the standards established by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the California Department of Public Health.

Required Statements:

"Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the United States Food and Drug Administration, Food and Cosmetic Hotline (1-888-723-3366)."

"Some persons may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons, including, but not limited to, persons with cancer who are undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, persons with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly persons, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These persons should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The United States Environmental Protection Agency and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791)."

"The sources of bottled water include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water naturally travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it can pick up naturally occurring substances as well as substances that are present due to animal and human activity.

Substances that may be present in the source water include any of the following:

- (1) Inorganic substances, including, but not limited to, salts and metals, that can be naturally occurring or result from farming, urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, or oil and gas production.
- (2) Pesticides and herbicides that may come from a variety of sources, including, but not limited to, agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- (3) Organic substances that are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, agricultural application, and septic systems.
- (4) Microbial organisms that may come from wildlife, agricultural livestock operations, sewage treatment plants, and septic systems.
- (5) Substances with radioactive properties that can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities."

"In order to ensure that bottled water is safe to drink, the United States Food and Drug Administration and the State Department of Public Health prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by bottled water companies."

If you would like to know whether a particular bottled water product has been recalled or is being recalled please visit the FDA's website for recalls: Recalls, Market Withdrawals, & Safety Alerts | FDA