



Brunello di Montalcino 2016

DOCG



Grape varieties

Sangiovese 100%



Vineyard

San Polo and Montluc

Exposure

Southeast/South/Southwest

Training system

Spurred cordon

Density

4,000/7,000 vines/hectare (1,618/2,832 vines/acre)

Altitude

450 metres (1,476 feet) above sea level

Soil characteristic

Rich in calcium and clay

Planting dates

1990-2000

Yield

3400 kg/hectare



Harvest

Grapes are hand harvested in small 17 kg crates towards the end of September.

Fermentation

In concrete tanks

Length of fermentation

20/22 days

Vinification

Soft crushing of the grapes after careful selection of the berries

Fermentation temperature

28/30°C (82/86°F)

Malolactic fermentation

in oak casks

Ageing

30 months in 1000 L, 2000 L and 4000 L oak casks. This is followed by at least 6 months ageing in the bottle before it is released onto the market.



Alcohol content	Total acidity	Residual sugars	Dry extract	Free SO ₂	Total SO ₂	pH
14.22 %Vol	5.6 g/l	0.7 g/l	32.8 g/l	74 mg/l	27 mg/l	3.54



The winter was not particularly cold, and spring arrived slightly earlier than usual, with temperatures slightly above average, giving the vines' shoots the opportunity to uniformly develop. The following weeks saw frequent rainfall, which allowed the land to build water reserves, alternating with periods of dry weather, enabling the vines to continue growing without any problems. The damp conditions during flowering led to the formation of bunches that were slightly more sparse than usual and with rather small berries, ideal preconditions for reaching harvest time with perfectly ripe and healthy grapes. However, the feature that will make vintage 2016 particularly memorable is the excellent temperature range that characterized the months of July, August and September, with sunny days and cool, breezy nights. We therefore reached the beginning of October with grapes that exhibited a superb combination of maturity, acidity and aromatic potential, perfect conditions for the production of wines with a distinct personality and a great balance of concentration, elegance and longevity; a perfect reflection of the production philosophy of San Polo.



Intense ruby red color with garnet reflections, clean and bright. The nose expresses the typical aromas of violet and small red fruits. There are hints of underbrush, aromatic wood, vanilla, and jam, followed by subtle notes of intense and persistent coffee. It is a warm wine in the mouth, with a dense and full-bodied texture. The finish is long, with well-defined tannins. Brunello di San Polo, thanks to the characteristics of the land from which it comes, withstands long aging and improves with time in the bottle.



jasmin



violet



plum



cinnamon



aromatic wood



The elegance and harmonious body of the wine allow combinations with very structured dishes such as red meats, feathered and furred game, possibly accompanied by mushrooms and truffles. Excellent with cheeses such as aged tome, Parmigiano Reggiano and Tuscan pecorino.

