

Rosso di Montalcino 2018

DOC



Grape varieties

100% Sangiovese



Vineyard

San Polo

Exposure

South/Southeast

Training system

Spurred cordon

Density

7,000 vines/hectare (2,832 vines/acre)

Altitude

450 metres (1,476 feet) above sea level

Soil characteristic

Rich in calcium and clay

Planting dates

2000

Yield

4900 kg/hectare



Harvest

Grapes are hand harvested in small 17 kg crates during the last days of September

Vinification

Soft pressing of the grapes after careful selection of the bunches

Fermentation

In concrete tanks

Fermentation temperature

28/30°C (82/86°F)

Length of fermentation

14/16 days

Malolactic fermentation

In large barrels - 2000 L and 4000 L

Ageing

12 months in lightly-toasted large barrels (2000 L and 4000 L). Bottle-aged before market release



Alcohol content

13.53% Vol

Total acidity

5.44 g/l

Residual sugars

1.3 g/l

Dry extract

30.5 g/l

Free SO₂

27 mg/l

Total SO₂

60 mg/l

pH

3.57



The 2018 Vintage was characterized by a trend that can best be summarized in a single word: calm. The harvest started on 20th September and ended on 5th October. From the outset, nature took its time; due to a harsh winter, the season started with a slight delay compared to the norm, and vegetative growth in spring was slow and steady, thanks to cool temperatures and heavy rainfall in May and June. The hot but never scorching summer and excellent temperature ranges enabled the vines to continue their development in a very balanced manner. This calm trend was subsequently mirrored in the harvest, which was among the longest in recent years. Nature took its time, and we like to be guided by its rhythms, so we adapted by arranging a phased harvest, according to parcels and sometimes even harvesting grapes from the same plot separately, so as to wait for the perfect ripeness of the lovely grapes that this vintage has bestowed on us. The wines have undergone fermentation in the cellar, again with the same calm that typified the entire harvest, which we are certain will also characterize the ageing period. We will wait to taste them, albeit impatiently, but know that by respecting nature's rhythms we will appreciate them even more.



Complex ruby red color, limpid and brilliant. On the nose, scent of small fresh fruits and light morello cherry together with hints of blackberry and black cherries followed by a pleasant hint of vanilla. Good intensity and fragrance. On the palate it is warm, soft, with medium structure and balanced tannins. The wine is harmoniously dry, dynamic, and fresh with a good aromatic persistence.



violet



wild
strawberry



raspberry



jasmine



vanilla



Pairs best with typical Tuscan dishes of pure and straightforward flavours, like pasta and risotto with mushrooms or truffles, pork, grilled meat, and medium-aged cheeses.
Serve in large balloon glasses at around 18° C (64° F).

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