



SAN POLO

MONTALCINO

Rubio 2013

TOSCANA IGT

**Grape varieties**

100% Sangiovese

**Vineyard**

San Polo

Exposure

South/Southeast and South/Southwest

Training system

Spurred cordon

Density

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

**Harvest**

Grapes are harvested by hand in small 17 kg crates during the second half of September

Fermentation

In tapered refrigerated stainless steel tanks

Length of fermentation

5/6 days

Ageing

10 months in stainless steel tanks, 4 months in bottle

Altitude

300-450 metres (984-1,476 feet) above sea level

Soil characteristic

Rich in calcium and clay

Planting dates

2000 – 2004

Yield

6300 kg/hectare

Vinification

After careful selection of the bunches, soft pressing of the grapes and cryomaceration prior to fermentation

Fermentation temperature

28/30°C (82/86°F)

Malolactic fermentation

In stainless steel tanks



The number of clusters was ideal and not excessive. A cool, wet spring delayed flowering by a few days, thus delaying the expected harvest period by at least one week. An ideal summer that was hot but never scorching allowed veraison to proceed evenly and quickly. The bunches were sparse and well positioned and there was no need for thinning except in some areas of more vigorous than average growth. September began with abundant rainfall which cooled down the vineyards and replenished water reserves, thus enabling the Sangiovese grapes to achieve full ripeness. The beginning of the harvest, in the last few days of September, took place in ideal conditions. Fresh, almost cold nights allowed the grapes to reach the cellar at low temperatures, while the warm, sunny days enabled the later-ripening vineyards to ripen fully. This vintage was a bit 'old style', with a decidedly late-harvest compared to the norm in recent years. Even the wines are reminiscent of a more traditional style: acidity, finesse and elegance are the characteristics that this vintage will be remembered for, which is also perfectly suited to prolonged ageing.



Rubio has a brilliant ruby red colour with purple hues. Intensely fruity aromas, with notes of cherry, violet, and black currant, followed by spicy notes. Well structured and balanced, with pleasant tannins and great aromatic persistence. The sensations of berries and cherries, typical of the variety, give it great drinkability, in addition to considerable intensity and elegance.



cherry



strawberry



violet



raspberry



blackberry



This wine expresses all the radiance and directness of a Sangiovese from Montalcino counting on freshness; it is perfect by the glass, thanks to its versatility, and ideal for outdoor barbecues. Delicious when paired with various kinds of cold cuts, pasta, sausages and grilled meats, medium-aged cheeses such as the famous Tuscan pecorino. Excellent immediately, it does not fear brief cellar ageing. Serve at a temperature of 16° C (61° F).

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