

EXTRA BRUT Vino Spumante di Qualità (VSQ) Metodo Classico sparkling wine

Grape variety: Pinot Noir Production area: foothills of Casteggio Soil: lime/clay Orientation of the vineyards: NE-NW Altitude of the vineyards: 140-200 m AMSL Training system: simple Guyot Average age of the vines: 16 years Vine density: 5,000 vines per hectare Yield: 1-1.2 kg per vine

Harvest: the grapes are hand-harvested in 17 kg boxes, carefully selecting the best ones. We pick the grapes early in the morning in order to press them at a natural cool temperature.

Vinification: the grapes are gently pressed. The free-run must is then naturally clarified. Alcoholic fermentation at 13-15 °C. Static decantation and stabilisation at a controlled low temperature during the winter.

Ageing: *tirage* is done in the spring following the harvest. Secondary fermentation in the bottle at 16 °C. 18-month ageing on the lees.

Sight: straw yellow colour with golden highlights. Visible and persistent *perlage*.

Nose: fragrant and vibrant, with notes of balsamic white flowers and mineral hints.

Palate: pleasant and well-balanced, with a bright acidity and mineral overtones in the long finish.

Vintage: 2021 Date of harvest: August 26th 2021 Date of *tirage*: June 10th 2022 Date of disgorging: November 2023 2021 production: 9,908 bottles (0,75 l). Also available in magnum format (120 bottles).

Notes about the 2021 vintage: a very hot vintage with minimum rainfall. At the end of the vintage we have observed remarkable temperature variations between day and night. The harvest has been considerably anticipated; the production has been slightly lower than the usual, but the grapes were in perfect conditions and of good quality. The correct timing of the harvest ensured a good aromatic expression and right acidity values for all the wines.

Analytical data:

- alcohol: 13.14% vol
- acidity: 6.7 g/l
- residual sugar: 2.8 g/l
- sulphites: 88 mg/l
- pressure: 5 bar

First vintage: 2010

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