





Production area: foothills of Casteggio, in a single vineyard

adjacent to the estate.

Soil: lime/clay. Basic pH.

Exposure of the vineyards: SW

Vineyards altitude: 160 m AMSL

Training system: simple Guyot

Average age of the vines: 18 years

Vine density: 5.000 vines per hectare

Yield: less than 1 kg per vine

**Harvest:** the grapes come from the central part of the historical Vigna del Pino. After light cluster trimming and leaf thinning in mid-July, we further selected the clusters shortly before harvest. The grapes are hand-harvested in 15 kg boxes, carefully selecting the best ones.

Vinification: destemming and gentle crushing of the grapes. Natural fermentation with indigenous yeasts in stainless-steel vats at a controlled temperature always kept below 26 °C. 16-day maceration. During maceration, the wine is punched down and pumped over several times, depending on the kinetics of the fermentation. A natural malolactic fermentation takes place in the autumn following the harvest in small second-fill oak barrels.

**Ageing:** 12 months in 25 hl barrels, 6 months in stainless-steel vats and a minimum of additional 12 months in bottle.

Sight: ruby red colour with garnet highlights.

**Nose:** intense, with notes of spices, ripe berries, peculiar balsamic overtones (pine and sage) and a closing note of Seville orange. **Palate:** fresh, fruity, fragrant and well-balanced. Fully reflective of the grape variety. Very elegant and balsamic, with an acidity which makes it very promising for ageing.

Ageing potential: over 20 years.

Vintage: 2013

Date of harvest: September 17th 2013 Date of bottling: December 10th 2015 2013 production: 6.635 bottles (0,75 l). Also available in magnum format (1,5 l).

## Notes about the 2013 vintage:

a truly classic vintage. Weather was temperate during summer with average rainfall values. A drop in the temperatures in August slowed the ripening process: this led to an outstanding aromatic quality of the grapes.

## Analytical data:

- alcohol: 14,23% vol

- acidity: 5,1 g/l

- residual sugar: < 0.5 g/l

- sulphites: 71 mg/l

- dry extract: 29,2 g/1

First vintage: 1989

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