

Contucci Vino Nobile di Montepulciano DOCG



Tracing a history of vine cultivation pre-dating the Renaissance to the XI century, the Contucci family is notably established as a leading family of Montepulciano. The historic cellars are located via the main square of Montepulciano and were constructed under a palace once home to Pope Julius III.

Sixteen hectares of well-situated vineyards lie just south of town and thrive with historic plantings of Sangiovese and numerous local varieties.

With a robust commitment to balancing tradition while allowing for innovation, the winery proudly offers highly esteemed bottlings of Vino Nobile, Rosso di Montepulciano DOC, Vin Santo DOCG as well as spirited whites.

About this wine

Appellation/Region: Vino Nobile di Montepulciano DOCG, Montepulciano, Tuscany, Italy.

Grape Variety: Sangiovese ("*Prugnolo Gentile*" – local clone 80%), Canaiolo Nero (10%), Colorino (10%).

Alcohol content: 14%

Location/Climate/Soil: Montepulciano, *Mulinvecchio* area. Vines are planted 350-450 meters above sea level. Soil of Pliocene-origin clay.

Farming practices: Sustainable and environmentally respectful practices with minimal use of chemicals, manual vineyard management, preservation of local biodiversity and minimal intervention winemaking.

Vinification: Manual harvest in early October. Fermentation in temperature-controlled stainless-steel tanks and oak barrels. Maceration with regular punch-downs, and malolactic fermentation conducted subsequently. 24 months minimum aging in oak barrels, followed by 6-8 months aging in bottle prior to release.

Tasting notes: Deep ruby red color. On the nose, intense aromas of ripe red fruits, violets, and subtle spices. On the palate, well-structured with balanced tannins, showcasing flavors of cherry, plum and a hint of earthiness.

Food pairings: Ideal with roasted meats, game, aged cheeses, and Traditional Tuscan dishes.

Scores/Awards:

93 points - Wine Enthusiast (2017 vintage)

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