

Querciabella



Turpino 2015

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| <i>Appellation</i> | Toscana IGT |
| <i>First vintage</i> | 2007 |
| <i>Cépages</i> | Cabernet Franc (40%); Syrah (40%); Merlot (20%). |
| <i>Vineyards</i> | Alberese, Grosseto (Maremma). The vineyards at 20–50 m a.s.l. were planted in 2000 with a north-south orientation. The biodynamic approach has proven particularly suited to the acidic, iron-rich soils of Maremma, a mixture of silt and alluvial sand, sparse with areas of gravel and surface pebbles. |
| <i>Viticulture</i> | Organic, biodynamic since inception. |
| <i>Average Yield</i> | 30 hl/ha. |
| <i>Production</i> | Approximately 10,000 bottles. |
| <i>Vintage profile</i> | Ample rain and cool Winter temperatures were followed by dry, perfect Spring conditions which led to even budburst throughout the valley. Summer was dry with sporadic rainfall. The heat spikes early in the season resulted in smaller bunches and a lower yield altogether but contributed to a beautiful concentration and natural fruit acidity. Harvest dates: September 1–30. |
| <i>Harvest</i> | Grapes are harvested by hand in 9 kg crates. |
| <i>Élevage</i> | 16 months in fine and extra-fine grained French oak barriques, up to 20% new. |
| <i>Analytical data</i> | Alcohol content: 14%; pH: 3.60; Acidity: 5.20 g/l. |
| <i>100% Vegan</i> | No animal products or byproducts are used during any phase of grape growing and wine making. |
| <i>Maturity</i> | Enjoy young. It will improve with further bottle ageing and evolve for at least 15 years after harvest. |
| <i>Ideal serving temperature</i> | 15–18 °C (59–64 °F). |
| <i>Recommended glasses</i> | Riedel Extreme Syrah 4441/32; Riedel Extreme Cabernet 4441/0; Riedel Performance Syrah 6884/41; Riedel Performance Cabernet 6884/0; Riedel Sommeliers Hermitage 4400/30. Zalto Bordeaux 11200. |
| <i>Bottling and packaging</i> | 0.750 liter, 6 bottle case; Magnum (1.5 liters), single bottle wooden case; Double Magnum (3 liters), single bottle wooden case; Imperial (6 liters) single bottle wooden case. |
| <i>Label</i> | Photo by Alessandra Rocchetti. |