

STORIE DI VIGNA DAL 1928



HOW TO DESCRIBE ON WINE LIST

"CICOGNA SAN MARTINO" Rosso Passito Veneto IGT (raisin red wine)

SAN MARTINO CICOGNA

Rosso Passito Veneto IGT



A limited production wine harvested from meticulously selected small vineyard lots (3 ha/7.4 ac) on hilltops (190 m/623 ft) that are estate grown and carefully farmed.

The grapes are handpicked and sorted at harvest time in order to create unique, artisan-style wines that reflect the craftsmanship involved in hands-on winemaking.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

AREA OF ORIGIN	Colli Berici Hills in the province of Vicenza, Veneto Region. (Cicogna is the name of our family estate in the heart of the Colli Berici appellation).
SOIL TYPE	Iron-rich clay and limestone.
VARIETAL	Merlot (growing in our area for more than 100 years).
TRAINING SYSTEM	Guyot
AVERAGE VINE AGE	22 years
HARVEST PERIOD/METHOD	Beginning of October. The best Merlot grapes from our hilltops are carefully selected by hand and placed in small wooden crates for a natural drying process lasting 30 days.
WINE MAKING	In red (grape skins remain in contact with the juice).
PRIMARY FERMENTATION	After destemming the raisins in a soft press, the residue is gently pressed down to the bottom of steel vats, and mixed again, pushing it to the top up to 5 times a day for about 18 days at a controlled temperature of 26°C/78.8°F.
MATURING AND AGING	18 months in small 228 liter French medium toasted oak barrels.
FINING	1 year in bottle

ANALYTICAL CHARACTERISTICS

ALCOHOL	15% Vol.
RESIDUAL SUGAR	20 g/l
TOTAL ACIDITY	6,2 g/l

ORGANOLEPTIC PROPERTIES

COLOR	Exceptionally rich and dense dark ruby-red.
BOUQUET	Extremely intense nose of cherries preserved in liquor, compote of sour cherries, and redcurrants, with overtones of vanilla, cocoa and coffee.
TASTE	Finely balanced, rich in sweet tannins, well structured, elegant. Round and supple, with a smoky note of grilled beef mixing with lightly sweet and juicy flavors of roasted plum, bay leaf and blackberry puree. Full body.
SERVING TEMPERATURE	16-18°C/60.8-64.4°F
SERVING SUGGESTIONS	Perfect with all types of red meat and game dishes. Ideal at the end of the meal with hardened, mature cheese. Outstanding on its own as a wonderful "meditation wine".
BOTTLE SIZE	€ 750 ml/Magnum 1.5 l
CLOSURE	Wooden cork