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Toscana IGT

Back in the 1970s, we decided to take the plunge and plant our first Merlot wine shoots in some unusual clay soil. In 1991, this challenging experiment yielded Lamaione: a lone, powerful and proud figure in the Montalcino landscape.



## Climatic trend

The 2022 season was characterised by a cool and dry winter, followed by normal budding. The spring, which was rainy during the period of vegetative growth, led to good and rapid development of the plants. The summer was marked by dry and hot weather, but a beautiful rainfall at the end of July and again on 15 August ensured good veraison. Subsequently, the weather was almost perfect: sunny, dry and cool, with significant night-time temperature variations to allow the grapes to complete their maturation, accumulating great aromatic and polyphenolic potential.

## Vinification and ageing

The vineyard is located 300 metres above sea level, planted in marine clay soil with a southwestern exposure. The Merlot grapes were carefully selected and hand-harvested into crates. Once they reached the cellar, the grapes were destemmed then manually sorted. Fermentation took place in steel tanks at a controlled temperature. The wine was then matured for 21 months in 80% new French oak barrels, followed by a further period of ageing in bottles. At the end of this process, Lamaione 2022 proved ready to satisfy the most demanding palates, thanks to a particularly favourable season.

## Tasting notes

Lamaione 2022 is a beautiful and intense shade of ruby red with purple highlights. The bouquet is distinguished by wonderful and intense fruity notes, ranging from wild berries to cherries, and continues with toasted tertiary notes of coffee beans and cocoa powder. The finish reveals fresh balsamic and liquorice notes. In the mouth, it is ample, and each sip is decisive and intense. The tannic texture is dense yet soft and velvety. The finish is extremely long, with clear fruity sensations balanced by elegant balsamic notes.