

## Tenuta Ammiraglia Massovivo 2018



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Toscana Vermentino IGT

Enormous yellowish rocks characterise the landscape in which the Tenuta dell'Ammiraglia lies; emerging from the earth, they are known locally as massi vivi, living rocks. Massovivo is a lovely, intense straw-yellow, Vermentino that immediately impresses with notes of fragrant blossoms and candied fruit, along with a fascinating vein of earthy minerality, typical of this growing area.

## Climatic trend

The 2018 growing season was marked by abundant precipitation, including some snow during the winter. This allowed for significant water reserves to accumulate in the soil. The spring season saw heavy rainfall, causing a slight delay in the initial sprouting stages. Spring then gave way to a magnificent summer season, with very hot temperatures that led to perfectly ripe grapes with an equally wonderful aromatic development. The sun and refreshing sea breezes were perfect companions during the harvest period, allowing the plants to achieve a compositional balance typical of this micro-climate.

## Technical notes

**Wine Variety:** Vermentino

**Alcohol content:** 12,5%

**Maturation:** Stainless steel - 4 months in steel and 1 month in bottle

## Vinification and ageing

Once harvested, the grapes were quickly transported to the cellar. Here, the first step of the production phase is soft and gentle pressing. Next, the musts obtained undergo a cold static decanting process for approximately 12 hours, imbuing them with even more refinement and elegance. Fermentation takes place in stainless steel vats at a controlled temperature. After ageing in steel on fine lees and a further ageing period in the bottle, Massovivo 2018 is ready to astonish.

## Tasting notes

Massovivo 2018 immediately stands out for its unparalleled delicacy, featuring a straw yellow colour with subtle green reflections. The aroma is just as delicate: opening with elegant floral and citrus scents, these fragrances give way to notes of ripe white-fleshed fruit over time. Mediterranean vegetation and sage emerge in the finish and enrich the bouquet. It harmoniously fills the palate, making a statement with its richness and extreme freshness. A wine with great persistence and an excellent taste-smell relationship.

# Awards

James Suckling: 90 Points