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TOSCANA

## Montesodi 2001



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Chianti Rufina DOCC

A cru selection with its initial vintage in 1974, Montesodi is made only in exceptional growing years. It is produced from Sangiovese grown in the Montesodi vineyard, which, at 400 metres' elevation, has always been regarded as the finest on the Tenuta for growing Sangiovese. It yields a rich, intense wine of remarkable aromas.



## Climatic trend

Even though temperatures were high during the month of August, the vines continued to thrive thanks to the water reserves in the soil built up from the rainfall in the month of August. The rain in early September proved valuable, especially for the ripening of the Sangiovese. The showers also washed the dust from the summer months off of the vines.

## Technical notes

**Origin:** Castello di Nipozzano, Pèlago

**Altimetry:** 400 m (1312 feet)

**Surface:** 20 hectares in the Montesodi vineyard (49 Acres)

**Exposure:** Southwest

**Soil typology:** Dry and stony, with clay, limestone, well drained, poor in organic matter

**Plant density:** Part 3,000 vines/hectare and part 5,850 vines/hectare

**Breeding:** Guyot

**Vineyard age:** 16 years

**Wine Variety:** Sangiovese

**Maceration Time:** 30 days

**Malolactic Fermentation:** Immediately following the alcoholic fermentation

**Ageing containers:** Immediately following the alcoholic fermentation

**Ageing time:** 18 months

## Tasting notes

Its colour is remarkable, a brilliant, saturated purple. The nose exhibits strikingly rich aromatics, with ripe, fleshy fruit supporting an intriguing blend of spice and mintiness that foregrounds vanilla and black pepper. The entrance is lush and creamy, but its firm structure is immediately evident, built on judicious tannins and a harmonious balance of alcohol and acidity. Great length and intense flavours make for a compelling finale.

**Wine pairing:** Roast or grilled lamb, game birds (pheasant), pan-fried beef.

# Awards

Gambero Rosso: Three glasses

Wine Spectator: n. 45 in the Top 100 – 93 points