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A Cru born in 1974 and produced only in the best years with Sangiovese grapes from the homonymous vineyard 400m above sea level. An intense wine with grand aromas and a long, noble persistence, Montesodi has always been considered the highest expression of Sangiovese at Castello Nipozzano.

## Climatic trend

Douberto freusballi

Winter 2014 was characterised by higher than average temperatures and a mild spring that encouraged an early start for the grapevines' budding phase. A particularly mild summer with well-spaced out rains brought the growing season back to its normal progression, while heat waves at the end of July and beginning of August positively affected the Sangiovese grapes veraison. The temperature differences between night and day promoted a gradual ripening of the fruit.

#### Technical notes

Origin: Castello Nipozzano Altimetry: 400 m (1312 feet)

Surface: 18 hectares Exposure: Southwest

Soil typology: Dry and rocky limestone, calcareous clay, well drained and poor in organic substances.

Plant density: 5,850 vines per hectare

Breeding: Guyot

Vineyard age: More than 20 years

Wine Variety: Sangiovese Alcohol content: 14,50% Maceration Time: 30 days

Malolactic Fermentation: IImmediately following initial fermentation

Ageing containers: Large Austrian and French 30hl ovals Ageing time: 18 months in oak and 6 months in the bottle

# Tasting notes

Montesodi 2014 is intensely ruby red with garnet highlights. To the nose it is intense, fresh, fragrant and mineral with scents of bergamot, cherry flower, violet and loquat. The wine possesses distinct taste-aroma correspondence, and to the palate it is mineral and persistent with toasted and silky tannins. In the mouth the wine expresses sweet notes of maraschino cherries, strawberry tree fruits, candied cedar and sugar alongside spiced notes of coffee and fruity highlights of white fleshed stoned fruits.

Wine pairing: Outstanding with grilled meats, and the ideal partner to bistecca alla fiorentina.

## **Awards**

Vinibuoni: Golden Star

Doctor Wine: 96 Points

JamesSuckling.Com: 92 Points

Vitae: 4 Viti