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Toscana IGT

As I walk between the rows of Cabernet and Petit Verdot, my mind always wanders back to 150 years ago, when my ancestors first planted these varieties, guided by their desire to create a truly great wine. In 1983, this dream became a reality with the birth of Cru Mormoreto, a wine with a vibrant, deep and harmonious character. Since 2013, it has also included a small amount of Sangiovese to underscore its elegance.

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## Climatic trend

Autumn 2019 at Castello di Nipozzano was rainy, which allowed good water reserves to be established in the vineyards' substrates. Winter was characterised by rather mild temperatures. Spring also registered temperatures above the seasonal average. This situation fostered a surprising balance between growth and production. Highly favourable weather conditions which, together with cool nighttime temperatures, ensured the vines were strong and healthy, from budding to harvesting. The grapes were then aided by optimal ripening conditions, reaching the harvest in perfect health. The 2020 vintage brings out the characteristics of this extraordinary "terroir", thanks to a decidedly acidic edge and high sugar content.

## Vinification and ageing

The Mormoreto vineyard is located 300 metres above sea level, planted in sandy soils with a southwestern exposure. The grapes from the Mormoreto vineyard were harvested manually in 15 kg boxes. After the bunches are initially sorted in the vineyard, these were further selected upon their arrival in the cellar. This attention to detail always ensures the highest possible quality. The 2020 harvest yielded wonderfully ripe grapes with a beautifully acidic edge. Malolactic fermentation took place immediately after racking. At the end of the year, the Mormoreto wine began its long stay in French oak barriques, where it would remain for the next 2 years, taking full advantage of the natural micro-oxygenation provided by oak. Several further months of ageing after bottling allowed the Mormoreto to blend, expressing its full elegance and potential.

#### Tasting notes

The 2020 Mormoreto is an intense and vibrant ruby-red colour with purple highlights. The bouquet is extremely complex, with fruity, floral, spicy and smoky notes. Rich in fruits, with wild berries predominating: blueberry, blackcurrant and raspberry, alongside hints of morello cherry and cherry, but also sweet fruits such as figs and dates. To finish, pleasant, crisp citrus notes of cedar and bergamot. The final aromas are dominated by notes of lightly toasted dried fruit, cinnamon, black tea and coffee. On the palate it is full-bodied, balanced and persistent. This wine combines particularly soft and silky tannins with an extremely long finish.