

## Tenuta Castiglioni Tenuta Frescobaldi Castiglioni 2011



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Toscana IGT

The rich Tenuta Frescobaldi di Castiglioni, this estate's iconic wine, is clearly in a modern key, but holds fast to the qualities of its local terroir. The labels of the bottles prior to the 2009 vintage presented the caption as "Tenuta di Castiglioni"

## Climatic trend

During the month of August two verified climatic events of extraordinary importance took place which shaped the characteristics of the grapes by force of the natural elements. The first half of August was characterized by sunny days, with daytime temperatures never above 30°C, and very cold nights. In the second part of August the strength of the sun gave power and concentration to the red grapes. The final result is that we have obtained white grapes in perfect health, mature, rich in the precursors of aroma and with a good acidity; and red grapes of extraordinary health, mature, concentrated and rich in polyphenols. The harvest began the 16th of August and was completed the 5th of October.

## Technical notes

**Origin:** Tenuta di Castiglioni, Comune di Montespertoli

**Altimetry:** From 200 to 250 m (From 656 to 820 feet)

**Surface:** 130 Ha (321 Acres)

**Exposure:** South-west

**Soil typology:** Clay-limestone

**Plant density:** 5.500 viti/ha

**Breeding:** Spur pruned cordon

**Vineyard age:** 12 years

**Wine Variety:** 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc, 10% Sangiovese

**Alcohol content:** 13,50%

**Maceration Time:** 12 days

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

**Maturation:** Barriques - 12 months in barriques and 2 months in bottle

## Tasting notes

Tenuta Frescobaldi di Castiglioni 2011 boasts a splendid purple-red, with violet highlights. The nose lays out intense aromas of bright red fruit, such as wild strawberry and redcurrant, followed by lovely, pungent notes of anise and cinnamon plus subtle hints of cocoa powder. In the mouth, a lengthy, slow-paced progression is accompanied by superb structure, an emphatic acidity, and dense, well-integrated tannins. The finish is nicely fruit-laden. Tasted March 2013.

**Wine pairing:** Ideal with game such as hare and boar, with roasted or sautéed beef, roast of pork, as well as with full-flavoured cheeses.

# Awards

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