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Toscana IGT

The Castiglioni estate has been a defining symbol of the Frescobaldi family's wine-growing tradition since 1300. Production of Tuscan wines, enjoyed by both the papal court and English court of Henry VIII in the 16th century, began here.

Climatic trend

Following a mild winter, the vines sprouted in early April, just a few days earlier than expected. Overall, April was clear and reasonably cool, contributing to a moderate growth under dry conditions. Flowering occurred around the last week in May, a period in which the climate has always been mild and slightly windy; this resulted in an excellent fruit set. From April to August, there were some quite heavy rainfalls, with a slight peak in June; during the months of vegetative expression, the water supplies have always been in proportion to demand (neither drought nor excessive rainfall). Veraison took place from the last week in August onwards, and was followed by a gradual ripening in September. The Sangiovese and Merlot were harvested from mid-September onwards. There were magnificent concentrations of fruit and with excellent aromatic intensity.

Technical notes

Wine Variety: Cabernet sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet franc, Sangiovese

Alcohol content: 13.5%

Maturation: 12 months in barriques and 2 months in the bottle

Vinification and ageing

The freshly harvested grapes were de-stemmed and fermented, and light pump-overs were carried out regularly in temperature-controlled steel tanks. Once alcoholic fermentation was complete, malolactic fermentation took place and the wine began ageing in barriques for a 12-month period, during which its various colours, aromas and tastes developed in typically perfect harmony. Thanks to the subsequent bottle-ageing period, Tenuta Frescobaldi Castiglioni 2020 was able to fulfil every ounce of its potential.

Tasting notes

Tenuta Frescobaldi Castiglioni 2020 has a beautiful, bright ruby-red colour with tinges of purple. The nose reveals fruity notes of cherry, blackberry, blueberry and mulberry. Equally marvellous are the spiced notes of cinnamon and star anise and light hints of black pepper. More general tertiary and toasted notes then emerge. It is soft and enveloping on the palate. The tannins are resolved. The finish is long and persistent.