

## BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO DOCG «VALLOCCHIO»

The five oldest vineyards of the estate contribute to create Brunello Vallocchio, produced exclusively in excellent vintages. This wine is produced exactly in the area of Castelnuovo dell'Abate, where the oldest certificate of the best known wine production was traced. The commitment of the Fanti family for excellence can be found in this wine, a particular selection which gives structure as well as softness and a splendid organoleptic profile.

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**Grape variety**: Sangiovese **Vineyards**: 5 hectares

Age of the vines: 20-30 years

Soils: medium texture, rich in galestro and well draining

**Altitude:** 230-250 m a.s.l. **Yield:** 60 quintal/hectare

Harvest: manual, from the second half of September to the middle of

October

**Vinification**: after a manual selection on the sorting tables, the grapes undergo alcoholic and malolactic fermentation for 30 days in stainless steel

tanks at a controlled temperature (max. 30°C).

Barrel ageing: 30 months in wood, 50 % in tonneaux of 500 lt. and 50% in big

oak barrels of 30 hl. **Bottle ageing**: 12 months.

Alcohol content: 15 %

Acidity: 5.6 g/l

Sugar content: 0.9 g/l

### **Tasting Notes:**

Color: deep ruby red.

Nose: enveloping, ripe fruit, spices and balsamic notes.

<u>Palate</u>: rich, full bodied and complex. The dense and firm tannin frame is already well integrated and supported by the structure of the wine.

Available formats: bottles of 0.750 lt., 1.5 lt., 3 lt.

#### Seasonal weather conditions:

After a winter characterized by heavy snowfalls, the vintage continues with a spring relatively warm, with temperatures following the normal trends. Summer months was very hot, with scarce rainfalls which challenged the vegetative balance of the plant that had been restored by the rainfalls happened on early September. In this way grapes gained optimal characteristics and the perfect ripening conditions which led to an excellent balance of acidity and aromaticity.

Number of stars: five.



# SCORES:

93/100 Wine Spectator 92/100 James Suckling 94/100 International Wine Report



