SAMMARCO TOSCANA IGT





PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by:
Maurizia and Luca Di Napoli
Winemaker: Maurizia Di Napoli
Total acreage of vine: 103 (42 Ha)
Winery Production: 90, 000 bts
Region: Toscana



WINE DESCRIPTION

The name Sammarco is in honor of Marco di Napoli, brother of Maurizia and Luca. Sammarco is the original biodynamic Super-Tuscan. Although we tend to position this Cabernet powerhouse after names like Sassicaia, Solaia, and Ornellaia, Sammarco actually predated Ornellaia (1980) and boasts the same winemaking talent behind that "aia" trio—Giacomo Tachis. This is one of the pioneering Tuscan blends that privileges craftsmanship and quality, establishing its credentials absent the instruments of media and marketing. Family owned and operated, Castello dei Rampolla pursues an artisanal approach that includes the practice of organic winemaking, hand selection of grapes, and cultivation of low yields.

TASTING NOTES

Dense ruby-purple color. Intense, intriguing nose of high class cigar tobacco intermixed with smoke, minerals, black currants, and vanilla. The palate is dense, medium- to full-bodied, with superb richness, purity, and overall harmony.

FOOD PAIRING

Excellent with game, red meats and aged cheeses.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Vineyard name/appelation: Sammarco single vineyard

Vineyard size: 15 Ha
Soil composition: Galestro

Training method: Vertical and horizontal cordon

Elevation: 380 m a.s.l. Vines/hectare: 6,500/Ha

Exposure: South west- South east

Age: 13 years
Harvest time: September
First vintage: 1980

Production: 22,000 bottles

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Sangiovese and

5% Merlot

Fermentation container: Concrete vats (7 days at 28-30 °C)

Maceration technique: On the skins for 30 days

Type of aging container: French oak barriques, oak barrels of 30 HI

and tonneaux of 500 L

Length of aging before bottle: 14-16 months Length of bottle aging: 24 months

ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol: 14.5 %
Residual sugar: < 1.0 g/l
Acidity: 6.2 g/L