

EMPSON & CO. Experience Italy in a Wine glass



Fontalloro Toscana IGT

A super Tuscan with the most emblematic of Felsina's own Sangiovese clone. The grapes are grown in the Chianti Classico and Chianti Colli Senesi appellations, which enjoy two different microclimates: The Colli Senesi are at a lower elevation with sand, loam, silt and marine deposits and the Chianti Classico vineyards are at the highest elevation of the area, with calcareous stony soil. After the grapes are sorted for quality, they are vinified in stainless steel, with long maceration. The new wine is aged in used French oak for up to twenty-two months. The final blend is bottled and aged for eight to twelve months. Intense color, aromatic herbs with generous notes of tobacco and forest floor, intertwined with black currant and hints of licorice. Lovely tannins, structure, and body but especially great typicity.

Wine exported to: Bermuda, Canada, Australia

Most recent awards

JAMES SUCKLING: 94

WINE ENTHUSIAST: 93

VINI BUONI D'ITALIA: Gold Star

Winemaking and Aging

| Grape Varieties: | 100% Sangiovese |
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| Fermentation container: | Stainless steel |
| Length of alcoholic fermentation: | 16-20 days |
| Type of yeast: | Selected |
| Fermentation temperature: | 28-30 °C (82.4-86 °F) |
| Maceration technique: | Automatic punchdowns and pumpovers |
| Length of maceration: | 16-20 days |
| Malolactic fermentation: | Yes |
| Fining agent: | Plant protein |
| Aging containers: | Barrique |
| Container size: | 225 L |
| Container age: | New |
| Type of oak: | French |
| Bottling period: | October |
| Aging before bottling: | 18-22 months |
| Aging in bottle: | 8-12 months |
| Closure: | Natural Cork |



Organic:

| Vineyard location: | Chianti Classico, Castelnuovo Berardenga, Tuscany |
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| Soil composition: | Rock, clay and sandstone |
| Vine training: | Espalier |
| Altitude: | 330-407 meters (1,083-1,335 feet) above sea level) |
| Vine density: | 5,400 plants per hectare |
| Exposure: | Southwestern |
| Years planted: | 1979, 2004 |
| Age of vines: | 15-40 years old |
| First vintage of this wine: | 1983 |
| Total yearly production (in bottles): | 30,000 |

Tasting Notes and Food Pairings

| Tasting notes: | Intense and rich ruby red. Complex aromas of tobacco, wet earth, black currant, blackberry and licorice. Smooth but consistent tannins, excellent structure and typicity on the palate. |
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| Serving temperature: | Best served at 16-18 °C (60.8-64.4 °F). |
| Food pairings: | Pairs well with red meats, game, and aged cheese. |
| Aging potential: | 20 years |
| Alcohol: | 14% |
| Winemaker: | Franco Bernabei |

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