VILLA CALCINAIA Vigna Contessa Luisa





The vineyard Contessa Luisa was planted by Ferrante Capponi in 1959. He dedicated this block to his mother Luisa Vonwiller and it is today the oldest vineyard still in production at Villa Calcinaia. The plot is located on a hill of about two hectares facing west, the only case on the Estate, which therefore enjoys the warmth of the afternoon sun. The soil is characterized by a strong clayey character and a good depth. Initially, as was customary, the American vines were planted in the ditches dug by hand, only later to be grafted with the Estate mass selection. The main varietal is Sangiovese, but along with it lives a small community of other varietals that make the vineyard population more diverse and vibrant.

The wine produced from this vineyard tends to have a very rich and opulent nose and to be characterized on the palate by an imposing tannic structure, probably resulting from the clayey nature of the soil.

Suitable for recipes such as braised meats or stews where the oil of the dish marries beautifully with the tannins of this Sangiovese.

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Location Greve in Chianti

Owners Counts Capponi since 1524

Farming Organic

Total size of estate 200 hectares with 27 hectares in vineyard

Altitude 260 m

Soil pH 7.7 Total nitrogen 1.8

Exchangeable phosphorus 60 Exchangeable potassium 511

Organic substance 2.88 C/N 9.3 Total lime 22.1 Active lime 5.0 C.S.C. 28.8 Clay 42.1 Sand 21.9 Silt 36.0

Exposure West

Composition 100% Sangiovese

Clone / Rootstock Mass selection

Planted date 1959

No. plants per hectare 4.000

Cultivation system Guyot

No. treatments per year 6 - 9

Quintals of grapes per hectare 55

Produced wine per quintal 70%

Harvest Manual, 30 September 2015

Fermentation Open tonneau

Maceration period 18

Days of alcoholic fermentation 8

Max. temperature in fermentation 29°

Ageing period 24 months in French oak tonneau and 5 hl cement vat

Ageing period in bottle 12 months

Rackings between containers 2-4

Sugar percentage at harvest 25 brix

Total acidity in bottle 6.2 gr/l

Total content of sulfur dioxide 33 mg/l

Total content of free sulfur dioxide 8 mg/l

Net dry extract 30.7 gr/l

Alcoholic percentage 14.86%

Ph 3.73

Bottle type and size Bordolese Nobile Maya (750 gr.) 75 cl, 150 cl, 300 cl

Cork size 45 x 26

No. bottles per wooden box 6

May be stored for up to 20 years











