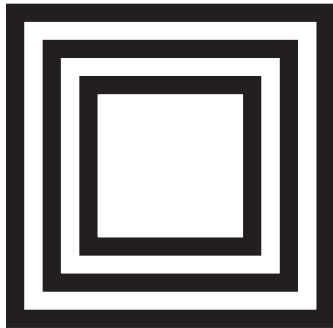


LA MOZZA



Aragone

Aragone is a distinctive wine made in a region famous for Super-Tuscan blends with Bordeaux varieties. This wine looks not to the Medoc, but to the Mediterranean. Indigenous Sangiovese is blended with Syrah (typical of Southern France), Alicante (typical of Spain) and Carignan, creating a “Super-Med” blend that brings together these noble grapes and highlights the heritage of winemaking from across the Mediterranean. The name “Aragone” refers to the Aragons of Spain, who together with the Medici family of Florence, dominated the region of Maremma in the 1500’s. The six-point star depicted on the label, represents an aerial view of “Forte Stella,” which is located in Porto Ercole just south of Grosseto, built by the Spanish around 1550.

GRAPE VARIETIES

40% Sangiovese, 25% Alicante, 25% Syrah, 10% Carignan

TASTING NOTES

Intense ruby red with reflections of violet. The Sangiovese and Alicante contribute to the structure and complexity of the blend with spice and liquorice flavors. The Syrah and Carignan contribute a fresh dark berry component. The wine hints at a Southern Rhone style with black olive aromas, and ripe fruit recalls the depth of Spanish Priorat.

GREAT WITH

Game, steak and roasted meats.

“...an explosive wine...

bursts from the glass... an exciting array of ripe dark fruit, toasted oak, spices and earthy flavors on a powerful, richly structured frame.”



VINIFICATION

Indigenous-yeast fermentation. Extended Maceration takes place in open-topped 500 liter French tonnaux. Punch-down is done by hand for the softest possible extraction. We use a vertical hydraulic press, which extracts juice and softer tannins, as there is less skin-against-skin friction with this type of press. 100% aged in French tonneaux (500 Liters) for 22 months

VINEYARD LOCATION

Magliano in Toscana (Province of Grosseto)

SOIL TYPE

Rocky, with limestone and rich with minerals

VINE TRAINING SYSTEM

Guyot

VINES PER HECTARE

6,000

AVERAGE AGE OF VINES

8 years

PRODUCTION

approx. 3,500 six-bottle cases

WINEMAKERS

Gabriele Gadenz, Maurizio Castelli