



PRIMITIVO DI MANDURIA DOLCE NATURALE DOCG

Wine type: Red

Grape: Primitivo

Appellation: Primitivo di Manduria dolce naturale DOCG

Vine training: 60 year old Alberello (bush-vines)

Vines per Ha: 5.000

Production area: Very old vineyards selected in San Marzano and Sava (TA), Salento Puglia. The climate is characterised by high temperatures all year round, very little rainfall and a wide temperature range between night and day, which has a positive influence on the quality of the grapes. This is the central area of the DOP "Primitivo di Manduria"

Soil: Loam, finely textured and rich in iron oxides that give the topsoil the distinctive red hue. Calcareous subsoil (limestone) with few emerging rocks

Harvest: First days of October

Vinification: Grapes are hand-harvested, after withering on the plant. Cold soak maceration at 8°C for about 24-48 hours. 10 day maceration and thermo-controlled alcoholic fermentation at 24-26°C with selected autochthonous yeasts

Ageing: In French and American oak barrels for 12 months

Tasting notes: Intense ruby red, with garnet reflections; persistent and complex to the nose, with notes of mature fruits which recall cherry jam and dry figs; slightly spicy. The full body gives the mouth some pleasant honeyed sensations, supported by a good acid structure

Best served with: Dry almond cakes, fruit tarts, aged cheese

Serving temperature: 16°C

