

LA VALENTINA

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC Riserva 2015 "SPELT"



DENOMINATION: Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC Riserva
GRAPE VARIETIES: 100% Montepulciano d'Abruzzo
FIRST VINTAGE: 1987

TERROIR

AREA: Spoltore, San Valentino e Scafa districts
VINEYARDS: selection on 20 ha
ALTITUDE: 150-400 meter o.s.l.
EXPOSITION: South / South-West
SOIL: medium clay
TRAINING SYSTEM: pergola abruzzese / Guyot
VINES / HA: 1.600-2.000 / 7.000
AGE OF THE VINES: from 7 to 40 years old
YIELD: 50 hl. / ha.

HARVEST: From the first week of October

WINEMAKING: Fermentation and maceration for about three weeks in stainless steel tanks.

AGING: 16 months part in 25 hl oak Slavonian barrels and part in barriques, new and 2nd passage. Final refinement after the blending: couple of months in 25 hl oak Slavonian barrels and almost a year in bottle.

PRODUCTION: n°61.000 bottles x 0,75 l. Magnums and Jeroboam available too.

FOOD PAIRING

Baked Lamb and Kid, grilled meats, arrosticini (local skewer of sheep meat) and lamb chops, pasta with ragù sauce.

Spelt 2015: *Tre Bicchieri* Gambero Rosso; **2014:** 91 pt James Suckling; **2013:** 94 pt *Vinous*, 93 pt James Suckling, 91 pt *DW*, 90+ pt Wine Advocate; 91 pt *G&G*; **2012:** 93 pt James Suckling, 90 pt *Vinous* 4 *Viti* AIS, 91 pt Veronelli; **2011:** *Tre Bicchieri* Gambero Rosso; *Grande Vino* Slow Food; 91 pt James Suckling, 91 pt Veronelli, 91 pt *G&G*; 90 pt Wine Advocate; **2010:** *Tre Bicchieri* Gambero Rosso; 5 *Grappoli* Bibenda; *Corona Vini Buoni* Touring; 4 *Viti* AIS; *Grande Vino* Slow Food; *Tre Stelle* 91 pt Veronelli; 92 pt *Vinous*; **2009:** 92 pt Wine Advocate, *Due Bicchieri rossi* Gambero Rosso; 5 *Grappoli* AIS; *Corona Vini Buoni* Touring, *Tre Stelle* 91 pt Veronelli; **2008:** 92 pt Wine Advocate, *Tre Bicchieri* Gambero Rosso, *Tre Stelle* 93 pt Veronelli, , 92 pt JS HK Tatler, 92 pt Galloni; **2007:** *Tre Bicchieri* Gambero Rosso, 91pt Wine Advocate, *Grandi Vini* Slow Wine, *Tre Stelle* Veronelli; **2006:** 90 pt Wine Advocate, 5 *Grappoli* AIS, *Due Bicchieri Rossi* Gambero Rosso, *Tre Stelle* 92 pt Veronelli; **2005:** *Tre Bicchieri* Gambero Rosso, 89 pt Wine Advocate, 90 pt Wine Enthusiast; **2003:** 90 pt Veronelli, 90 pt Wine Advocate; **2002:** 90 pt Veronelli; **2001:** 90 pt Wine Spectator, 91 pt Veronelli, 90 pt Wine Advocate