

LA VALENTINA

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC Riserva 2020 "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: clay loam sand texture
TRAINING SYSTEM: pergola abruzzese / Guyot
VINES / HA: 1.600-2.000 / 7.000
AGE OF THE VINES: from 10 to 47 years old
YIELD: 50 hl. / ha.

HARVEST: Handly, 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 and tonneaux, 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° 65.000 bottles x 0,75 l. Magnums, 3L and Jeroboam available too.

FOOD PAIRING

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

LAST 10 YEARS AWARDS

Spelt 2020: 92 pts Vinous, 93 pt James Suckling, 93 pt Falstaff, 91 pt WC; **2019:** 92 pt James Suckling, 91 pt WE 90 Vinous; **2018:** 93 pt Falstaff **2017:** 92 pt Vinous, 4 Viti AIS, 94 pt Veronelli; **2016:** 93 pt James Suckling, Grande Vino Slowine, 94 pt Winescritic, 94 pt WE; **2015:** Tre Bicchieri Gambero Rosso, 92 pt James Suckling, 90 pt Wine Advocate 91 pt Vinous, 5 Grappoli Bibenda, Super Tre Stelle Veronelli 94 pt, 91pt G&G; **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;