



FRESCOBALDI

TOSCANA



TENUTA FRESCOBALDI DI CASTIGLIONI 2017

Toscana, IGT

The Castiglioni estate has been a defining symbol of the Frescobaldi family's wine-growing tradition since 1300. Production of Tuscan wines, enjoyed by both the papal court and English court of Henry VIII in the 16th century, began here.

VINTAGE REPORT :

On the hills of the Castiglioni estate, the vines began to sprout new shoots in early April following a dry and relatively mild winter. March and April saw a few showers which added to the water reserves needed for the young shoots to grow and develop. The flowering stage and subsequent summer season were characterised by a lack of rainfall and high temperatures that enabled the grape bunches to grow and mature in a healthy environment. Thanks to their ability to store moisture, Castiglioni's typical clay-rich soils played an essential role in alleviating drought stress caused by the lack of rain in summer, and helped the grapes to reach highly concentrated levels of sugar and polyphenols.

VINIFICATION AND AGEING:

The freshly harvested grapes were de-stemmed and fermented, and light pump-overs were carried out regularly in temperature-controlled steel tanks. Once the alcoholic fermentation was complete, malolactic fermentation took place and the wine began ageing in barriques for a 12-month period, during which the various colours, aromas and tastes developed in typically perfect harmony.

Thanks to the subsequent bottle-ageing period, Tenuta Frescobaldi Castiglioni 2017 was able to fulfil every ounce of its potential.

TASTING NOTES:

Tenuta Frescobaldi Castiglioni 2017 boasts a beautifully deep and intense ruby-red colour with tinges of purple. Its bouquet is marvellous in its complexity. The fruity attack, with notes reminiscent of blackberry and sour cherries, gives way to elegant vanilla-like notes with light hints of tobacco and white pepper. It is warm, soft and round on the palate, with fruity notes that reverberate and a delicately spiced, elegantly fresh finish. The tannins are fine yet intense.

FORMATS:

75 cl, 1.5 L, 3 L.