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Zardetto Zeta Prosecco de Conegliano DOC 2008

Wine Description

Produced in limited quantity, this vintage-dated sparkler represents the highest expression of Prosecco on the market. Zeta Prosecco is made from carefully hand-selected Prosecco grapes grown in the low-yield single vineyard of S. Pietro di Feletto, one of the best sites in the Prosecco di Conegliano DOC area (as of 2009, designated as DOCG). This is an exciting, complex sparkling wine with a lot of personality--the delicious culmination of Zardetto's relentless research on the Prosecco variety.

Tasting Notes

Bright straw-yellow in color with an elegant and finely textured perlage, Zeta offers layered aromas of orange blossom, lemongrass, peach and tropical fruits. This extremely versatile wine can be served as an aperitif, with traditional desserts like pastries and fruit tarts to antipasti and appetizers, or simply by itself after dinner.

Winemaking & Aging

Varietal composition:	100% Prosecco
Harvest time:	September
Winemaking consultant:	Renato de Noni
First vintage of this wine:	2000
Number bottles produced of this wine:	60,000
Fermentation	
Fermentation container:	Stainless steel tanks
Length of alcoholic fermentation (days):	10
Fermentation temperature (°F):	61
Malolactic fermentation:	No
Aging	
Aging container:	Stainless steel tanks
Size of aging container:	100 HL
Length of aging before bottling:	A few months
Length of bottle aging:	A few months

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Analytical Data	
Alcohol:	11.5%
pH level:	3.1
Residual sugar (grams/liter):	20
Acidity (grams/liter):	6.8
Dry extract (grams/liter):	18

Vineyard Characteristics

Production area/name of vineyard:	The S. Pietro di Feletto vineyard
Size of vineyard (acres):	63
Soil composition:	Clay
Training method:	sylvoz
Elevation (feet):	825
Vines/acre:	1,400
Yield/acre (tons):	4.8
Exposure:	Southern
Year vineyard planted:	1995
Agronomist/Vineyard manager:	Renzo Moret

Reviews

Wine Advocate - Issue #184/August 2009

Italy's Finest Values

"This is a delicious version of Zeta. In 2008 Zeta comes across as lower in residual sugar than previous vintages, which gives the wine more energy."

89 points

Wine Enthusiast - December 15, 2007

Buying Guide

"This is a pleasant, no-fuss sparkler with textbook aromas of peach, flowers and citrus fruit....crisp, lean mouthfeel..."

86 points

Wine Advocate - Issue #173 / October 2007

Exploring the Best of Northern Italy

"The NV Prosecco Zeta is a new wine for the estate. Made in a riper style with higher residual sugar, it is sweet and ample in its tropical fruit, mango and spice flavors. This attractive, refreshing wine will offer its finest drinking over the next year or so. Anticipated maturity: 2007-2008."

88 points

Wine Enthusiast - June 2006

"Shows lemongrass, garden greens, orange blossom, and lemon-lime with sweet, mature honeydew on the nose. On the sweet side, but tasty, with a creamy frothy finish."

87 points