MASI



"As friendly as a favorite brother's house", was how Hemingway described Valpolicella. Masi makes this modern-styled wine from traditional Veronese grape varieties (Corvina, Rondinella, and Molinara). Excellent with many dishes, from soups to grilled meats, delicious with pasta too.



Classification Valpolicella Classico DOC.

Origin Masi vineyards in the hills of the historic Valpolicella Classico zone. Red calcareous sediments on

basalt.

Grape varieties 70% Corvina, 25% Rondinella, 5% Molinara.

Vinification The grapes are harvested separately (mid September for Molinara and Rondinella, end of

September for Corvina). Fermentation at controlled temperatures (25-28°C) using selected yeasts. Contact with the skins lasts 16 days for Corvina, 10 days for the other grapes. Fermentation lasts

20 days in total and is followed by complete malolactic fermentation.

Maturation 4 months in 60-90 hl. Slavonian oak barrels. 20% of the Corvina is aged in new Allier and

Slavonian small oak casks.

Ageing potential 3 years.

2020 vintage The climate in spring was quite variable, with temperatures above average and some medium

intensity weather upsets in the Verona and Trentino vineyards in the month of May. Budding and flowering came early. In June, the weather was extremely unsettled and relatively cool. The hailstorm on 6-7 June did not affect our vineyards. Veraison happened as normal, thanks to drier conditions in July and August, with temperatures slightly above the norm. All grape varieties were harvested at the correct stage of ripeness and proved to be in excellent condition, thanks to vineyard health management which included two de-leafing processes. Overall, the vintage was

very good in quality, with quantities in line with average for the last 10 years.

Tasting notes Intense and lively red in color. Immediately friendly and attractive on the nose thanks to typical

sweet cherry aromas. Excellent fruitiness comes through on the palate with a light spiciness and touches of cinnamon. Good acidity and soft tannins make this wine very drinkable and a second

glass quickly desirable.

Food pairings Versatile enough to go with many dishes. Perfect with soups, pasta and risottos. Very good with

both simple and more substantial dishes based on red meat, or with fresh cheeses. Recommended

drinking temperature 18° C (64° F).

Data analysis Alcohol 12.13% vol., sugars 2.9 g/l, dry extract 29.1 g/l, total acidity 5.17 g/l, pH 3.67.



Bonacosta: refers to the area at the foot of the same slopes where we grow the grapes for Amarone. Here the gentle slopes are richer in top-soil and the vineyards benefit from soft valley breezes and an excellent exposition. "As friendly as a favourite brother's house" was how Hemingway described Valpolicella.

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