

CORTE DEL TASSO



Pinot Grigio

Friuli Colli Orientali DOP, Italy

GRAPE VARIETY

100% Pinot Grigio *Produced with organically grown grapes.*

VINIFICATION

Hand-picked grapes are gently pressed in a closed-circuit vacuum press in the absence of oxygen and at a controlled temperature. The must is clarified by flotation, with the only use of nitrogen. Fermentation in steel barrels with a long rest on fine lees.

ESTATE

The hilly estate at Praducello was founded in 1500 and purchased by Domenico Rubini in 1814. Since then, Villa Rubini has been a nexus of viticultural and agricultural advancement as successive generations of Rubinis have revolutionized the vineyards, cellars, and political sphere of Friuli. The estate covers 250 acres, 150 of which are planted with vines (25 acres are organic). The sandy, marly, clay soils, and northeast winds which meet the mild currents from the Adriatic Sea on the hills are singular, irreproducible factors that make the Rubini wines unique. These conditions allow Pinot Grigio to achieve the distinct expression it is known for in Friuli (full-bodied, elegant, mineral) and as such it is the most widely planted grape on the estate. An array of indigenous single varietal wines are crafted: aromatic, sharply etched whites from Friulano and Ribolla Gialla, and lively, spicy reds from Refosco and Schioppettino. International varieties were carefully propagated in the late 1800s from clones most conducive to the estate's terroir. The intensity, balance, crisp acidity and buoyant fruit of Villa Rubini's wines allow them to reveal their truest expression when enjoyed with food.

TASTING NOTE

Lush aromas of tropical fruits – mango, banana and apricot. Elegant, very balanced and fruity with a persistent finish reminiscent of acacia flowers. When aged the bouquet evolves to hints of toasted almonds and straw.

FOOD PAIRING

Pair with light shellfish dishes with lemon, buffalo mozzarella and lightly sauced pastas.



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