

Alauda

TOSCANA

INDICAZIONE GEOGRAFICA TIPICA

The grapes come from two Poggio Casciano Estate vineyards, near Florence. Merlot comes from Poggio al Mandorlo vineyard whereas Cabernet Franc comes from Rapale vineyard.



VINTAGE

2021

GRAPE VARIETIES

50% Cabernet Franc and 50% Merlot

ALTITUDE AND SOIL

290-450 mt. a.s.l., soil with abundant clay, limestone and small percentages of silt.

VINTAGE REPORT

A good vintage characterized by well-distributed rainfall during spring season and an optimal climate during the harvest.

VINIFICATION AND AGING

The alcoholic fermentation and maceration aided by punching down and délestage takes place in temperature-controlled stainless-steel vats. The malolactic fermentation, helped by periodic bâtonnage, ends in new French barriques. Alauda ages in French barriques for about 24 months.

TASTING NOTES

Color: deep red with hints of violet.

Aromas: intense notes of blackberry, black cherry with herbal hints complemented by vanilla, coconut and boisé.

Tasting profile: on the palate the wine is soft, round and dense, with an elegant and velvety tannic texture.

WHY?

- Alauda is the only Ruffino wine with the presence of Cabernet Franc, always produced in a limited quantity and less than 10.000 bottles.
- Grapes are harvested in small, carefully selected parcels - even in the same vineyard - in order to better reflect the unique character of the territory and each grape varietal.
- Alauda is aged in barriques from multiple coopers to ensure the oak doesn't overpower the wine.
- 2021: first organic certified vintage.

FIRST VINTAGE: 2011

AWARDS

93/100 Wine Spectator (US)
92/100 Decanter WWA (UK)
92/100 James Suckling (US)



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