

# ROSSO DI MONTALCINO 2016

DOC Rosso di Montalcino



## Wine Description

Ruby red. Ethereal notes together with violet, forest floor, licorice, plum, spices and tobacco. Lively acidity and strong yet silky tannins. Pleasant final, long, dry and persistent. In traditional combination with meat dishes, but also with pecorino cheese and plates served with "new" olive oil, fresh from the oilmill.

Wine Type:	still wine   red   dry
Alcohol:	14 %
Residual Sugar:	0 g/l
Acid:	6.2 g/l
Certificates:	vegan, organic, bio-dynamic
Allergens:	sulfites
Drinking Temperature:	16 - 18 °C
Aging Potential:	12 years
Optimum Drinking Year:	2017 - 2029

## Award

Robert Parker:	90
Luca Maroni:	93
Bibenda:	3 Grappoli

## Vineyard

Origin:	Italy, Toscana, Montalcino
Quality grade:	DOC Rosso di Montalcino
Site:	Pian Ginestra, Macchiese, Fior Meliloto, Campo Levante
Varietal:	Sangiovese 100 %   22 years 5000 plants/ha   5500 liter/ha
Sea Level:	450 - 500 m

## Harvest and Maturing

Harvest:	handpicked   15 kg cask
Grape Sorting:	manual
Fermentation:	spontaneous with pied de cuve
Malolactic Fermentation:	yes
Fermentation Process:	délestage   1 - 3 x day   Duration: 5 days pump over   1 x day   Duration: 14 days

<b>Maturing:</b>	70 %   barrel   3200 L   used barrel   18 month(s)   Sangiovese
	30 %   tonneau   500 L   used barrel   18 month(s)   Sangiovese
	100 %   steel tank   10000 L   1 month(s)   Sangiovese
<b>Bottling:</b>	natural cork   June 29, 2018   5100 bottles
	natural cork   March 28, 2019   2500 bottles

## Product Codes

EAN: 8032130031045

## curiosity

In 1984 this wine got the DOC classification, thanks to its popularity among wine lovers. Over the years it has become an "alter ego" of Brunello, but in a less elaborate way, both from the point of view of price and the type of wine.

## Food pairing

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## Vintage 2016

Seasonal trend: The closing months of 2015 were rather dry, with practically no rainfall at all in December. Precipitations resumed in the new year, recording 120 mm over the month. Temperatures in January were average for the time of year, recording minimums of - 6°C and peaks of around 10°C. February enjoyed a similar seasonal trend, with night-time temperatures always around zero and peaks of about 10°C. Total rainfall in February: 150 mm. There was almost no snow at all, with just one very light episode on the 20th of January. Early spring: March was characterised by average rainfall for the period, with a total of about 70 mm. Temperatures were within the average seasonal range with fluctuations between - 2°C and 15°C. August and ripening: The month of August was characterised by little rain, concentrated at the beginning and end of the month, for a total of about 70 mm. There was an important temperature range, with maximum temperatures of 26°-28°C, with peaks of 32°C during the day and minimum temperatures of 15°-16°C at night, falling in some cases as far as 12°C. Ripening was therefore slow, which is very important for both the aromas and the quality of the tannins. The important temperature ranges also influenced the ripening of the skins, concentrating the aromas and dry extract, ideal characteristics for excellent quality production. September and harvest: The first week of September recorded just one day of rain, on the 6 th, when about 15 mm of rain fell. Rainfall then resumed in the middle of the month, recording about 80 mm between the 16th and 20th. Maximum temperatures remained close to 30°C in the first half of the month, before falling to an average of 25°C in the second half. The night-time temperature range remained significant, with monthly average temperatures below 15°C. These conditions, combined with good ventilation, allowed a healthy grape harvest with important organoleptic characteristics. The first harvesting operations took place around the middle of the month, in the south-west area. Product characteristics: Deep vinous red colour, characteristic bouquet of fresh red fruit. Palate with an excellent tannic structure and acid content; lingering aromatic persistency in the nose and mouth, with evident elegance and mineral sensations. Elements of outstanding longevity. (Consorzio Brunello di Montalcino)