

TASTING NOTES



B & W Wines

LA FORTUNA ROSSO DI MONTALCINO, 2014

BACKGROUND

ANGELO ZANNONI IS THE FIFTH GENERATION OF WINEMAKERS AT LA FORTUNA; THE WINERY CELEBRATED THEIR 100TH ANNIVERSARY IN 2007. LA FORTUNA'S ESTATE IS SITUATED JUST A FEW KILOMETERS EAST OF THE TOWN OF MONTALCINO AND ABUTS THE PRESTIGIOUS FULIGNI ESTATE AND IS CLOSE TO SIRO PACENTI. IN THE 1990S ANGELO'S FATHER GIOBERTO PURCHASED A VINEYARD ON THE SOUTH FACE OF MONTALCINO JUST SOUTH OF THE VILLAGE OF CASTELNUOVO DELL'ABATE NEAR THE FAMED PRODUCERS CIACCI PICCOLOMINI AND UCCELLIERA. THAT VINEYARD IS NOW BLENDED WITH THE ESTATE VINEYARD, BALANCING THE CORE OF STRUCTURE FROM THE HOME VINEYARD WITH THE SUN BLESSED RIPENESS FROM THEIR SOUTHERN VINEYARD. LA FORTUNA'S WINES DISPLAY A CONSISTENT CONCENTRATION OF FRESH, ENERGETIC FRUIT COUPLED WITH LAYERS OF A DENSER FRUIT AND SWEET RIPENESS THAT IS FULL OF INTENSE DARK CHERRY AROMATICS.

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ROSSO DI MONTALCINO TOO OFTEN SITS IN THE SHADOW OF ITS MUCH BIGGER BROTHER, BRUNELLO. BUT SOME ESTATES PUT NEARLY THE CARE AND EXPENSE INTO THEIR ROSSO AS THEIR BIG GUNS, AND LA FORTUNA IS CLEARLY AN EXAMPLE OF THIS SORT OF WINEMAKING. INTENSE IN TERMS OF FRUIT, BUT SHOWING OFF ADMIRABLE ACIDITY, THIS IS SPICY, FULL BODIED, DRY AND RICH WITH A SOFTNESS HIDING AMID ALL THAT TANNIC STRUCTURE. A WINE TO DRINK WHILE YOUR BRUNELLO AGES, YES, BUT A QUALITY WINE NONETHELESS. FROM VINES 15-25 YEARS OF AGE, AGED FOR ONE YEAR IN BARRIQUE, 6 MONTHS OF THIS IN FRENCH OAK.



VINTAGE: 2014

WINERY: LA FORTUNA

REGION: TUSCANY

AVAILABILITY: AVAILABLE NOW IN CONSIGNMENT

CASE QUATITY: 12 BOTTLES PER CASE

BOTTLE SIZE: 750 ML

COMPOSITION: SANGIOVESE (100%)