

TASTING NOTES



B & W Wines

BIBI GRAETZ SOFFOCONE DI VINCIGLIATA IGT TOSCANO, 2014

BACKGROUND

CONSIDERED ONE OF ITALY'S MOST INGENUOUS WINEMAKERS, BIBI GRAETZ HAS RISEN FROM ARTIST TO CULT WINEMAKER SINCE THE RELEASE OF HIS FIRST WINES BACK IN 2000.

WITHOUT ANY FORMAL TRAINING AND WITH INITIALLY ONLY A SMALL 2 HECTARE VINEYARD ON HIS PARENTS' PROPERTY OVERLOOKING FLORENCE, HE HAS MANAGED TO UNCEREMONIOUSLY GATECRASH THE STAID TUSCAN WINE SCENE AND, IN TESTAMATTA, CREATE ONE OF ITALY'S GREAT CULT WINES.

BORN AND RAISED IN ITALY, BIBI MAKES HIS WINE IN HIS FAMILY HOME, CASTELLO DI VINCIGLIATA, A CASTLE IN FIESOLE. THE LACK OF A TRADITIONAL TUSCAN ESTATE HAS FREED HIM TO SEARCH OUT PARCELS OF OLD VINES AROUND TUSCANY- AND EVEN THE ISOLA DI GIGLIO - WHICH ARE THE BASIS FOR HIS CONCENTRATED, YET ELEGANT WINES.

NOW RATED IN THE TOP 12 COLLECTABLE TUSCAN PRODUCERS, BIBI'S WINES HAVE GONE FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH OVER THE PAST DECADE. USING ORGANIC CULTIVATION METHODS AND RESISTING THE TREND OF PLANTING CABERNET AND MERLOT, THESE WINES ARE THE ULTIMATE EXPRESSION OF INDIGENOUS GRAPE VARIETIES.

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THE SIGHT, THE WINE HAS A RUBY RED COLOR, FULL AND BRIGHT. THE NOSE SHOWS HINTS OF CHERRY AND RASPBERRY, WITH HINTS OF TOBACCO. ON THE PALATE, POWERFUL AND ELEGANT AT THE SAME TIME. GREAT FRESHNESS AND TANNINS WELL BLENDED. HARMONIC AND PERSISTENT. COMBINATIONS. TOSCANA ROSSO IGT "SOFFOCONE DI VINCIGLIATA" BIBI GRAETZ MARRIES PERFECTLY WITH FIRST AND SECOND COURSES RED MEATS OR WITH TOMATO SAUCES. "SOFFOCONE", PROVOCATIVE NAME GIVEN BY BIBI GRAETZ TO THIS WINE THAT IS ALMOST PURE SANGIOVESE, WITH A SMALL PERCENTAGE OF CANAILOLO AND COLORINO, PRODUCED IN THE AREA OF FIESOLE, A SHORT DISTANCE FROM FLORENCE. THE VINES ARE OLD, APPROXIMATELY 40 YEARS OF AGE. THE WINE IS MADE IN STEEL, WITH MATURATION IN BARRIQUES FOR 15 MONTHS.



VINTAGE: 2014

WINERY: BIBI GRAETZ ([HTTP://WWW.BIBIGRAETZ.COM/](http://www.bibigraetz.com/))

REGION: TUSCANY

AVAILABILITY: AVAILABLE NOW IN CONSIGNMENT

CASE QUANTITY: 6 BOTTLES PER CASE

BOTTLE SIZE: 750 ML

COMPOSITION: -



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