



Fattoria Selvapiana Chianti Rufina Riserva Vigneto Bucerchiale Toscana 2015

PRODUCER

The Rufina zone is the smallest of all in Chianti (about 600 hectares of vineyard) but also one of the most special. The cool breeze that blows down the Sieve Valley gives the best wines a finesse and definition that few in Chianti Classico can match. And there is no better producer in Rufina than Selvapiana, which has been in the family of Francesco Giuntini since 1827. Federico Giuntini Masseti now runs the property, which is situated just north of the town of Pontassieve. The estate covers 245 hectares, 60 of which are planted under vine (95% being Sangiovese).

VINEYARD

The Sangiovese grapes were grown in the 12.5 hectare Bucerchiale vineyard on the ancient Selvapiana estate. The oldest part of the vineyard was planted in 1968, and the youngest in 2001. The vineyard faces south/south-west and is situated at 150-200 metres above sea level. The soil is predominantly clay and limestone. The older vines are planted at a density of 2,500 per hectare, whereas the younger ones are planted at 5,200 vines per hectare. The vineyard is cultivated organically, with cover cropping.

VINIFICATION

Fermentation took place partly in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks, and partly in cement tanks, at 30°C and lasted 20-25 days. Pumping over took place daily to extract colour and tannin. After a short period of maceration, the wine was pressed off the skins and malolactic fermentation took place. In January following the harvest, the wine was transferred to medium-sized oak casks and French oak barriques (of which 10% was new) and was matured for 15 months before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

This wine shows tremendous depth of colour with great intensity on the nose. The palate is powerful and fruit packed with ripe raspberry and spicy cherry fruit, supported by a touch of herbs and violets, robust tannins and a long, fine finish which is the hallmark of the Selvapiana wines.

AWARDS

Wine Enthusiast – 96 pts

Monica Larner, The Wine Advocate – 93 pts

Wine & Spirits – 92 pts



VINTAGE

Vintage	2015
Region	Chianti Rufina, Toscana
Grape Variety	100% Sangiovese
Winemaker	Federico Giuntini
Closure	Double Disk
Features	Vegan, Organic
ABV	14,5%
Bottle Sizes	75cl
Acidity	5.2 g/l
Wine pH	3.6