# MERLOT 2021 TRENTINO DOC · ORGANIC

**MERLOT** BIOLOGICO From vineyards clinging al pè—to the foot—of the mountains, the best suited to Merlot.

#### **VINEYARD CHARACTERISTICS**

Seasonal performance The 2021 vintage was characterised by alternating seasonal trends and rather extreme situations, but on the whole it was interesting in terms of quality. Sprouting was delayed due to the cold weather in April, with limited bud fertility. Flowering was also delayed, but took place very quickly. Subsequently, hailstorms affected almost the entire area on several occasions, but fortunately the damage was light in light of the optimal climatic conditions that followed and the selection and cleaning work carried out by the members. At the harvest, the vines presented themselves excellently and with a reduced production load: healthy, well-matured bunches with an optimal acid balance, also due to the delayed ripening.

**Production area** A single vineyard in Ceniga, in front of Maso Lizzone. This is a warm, east-facing area where the grapes manage to reach optimum ripening.

**Grape variety used** 100% Merlot

**Type of terrain** Mostly medium texture, with a good clay content at times calcareous.

Training system Guyot.

**Production** 80,000 kg of grapes per hectare.

### **VINIFICATION AND AGEING**

**Harvest** On 2 October, with the grapes carefully selected by hand and transported to the cellar in small containers. **Vinification** The grapes were taken quickly to the winery, where they were immediately stripped and the whole grapes dropped into special steel vats for alcoholic fermentation. Alcoholic fermentation occurred at a temperature of about 22 °C (72 °F) with maceration on the skins for 8 days.

**Ageing** In wooden barrels until July. The wine was bottled on 8 August 2022. 4,000 bottles were produced. This was followed by at least 6 months' ageing in glass.



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#### **ORGANOLEPTIC CHARACTERISTICS**

**Colour** Intense ruby-red colour with purple hues that highlight its youth, medium consistency.

**Aroma** After brief aeration it opens with all the integrity of its fruit in an inviting suggestions of red fruit, plum, cherry and wild berry, followed by spicier hints of cloves, pepper and liquorice root, and finally a more elegant note of cocoa butter.

**Flavour** A lively attack due to the freshness of this wine. Fine tannic weave gives it structure, ending with a pleasant aromatic persistence. It should be drunk immediately but may evolve for a few more years.

#### **ANALYTICAL DATA**

Alcohol content 13.78% vol. Sugars 0.3 g/l. Dry extract 29.2 g/l. Total acidity 5.64 g/l. pH 3.54.

Contains sulphites. Does not contain GMO.

### **PAIRINGS**

- Appetizers based on medium-aged cold cuts.
- · Lasagna Bolognese.
- Red meat (stew, roast and lamb).
- Tagliata of beef and rocket.

#### SERVING TEMPERATURE

Serve at 18 °C (64.4 °F), in medium-width glasses.

### **STORAGE CONDITIONS**

Keep in a cool place, away from the light and sources of heat. Always store the bottle lying down.

#### **AGEING POTENTIAL**

Beyond 5 years.

#### **PALLETISATION**

Size 0.75 | (1.37 kg)

Type Bordolese Riva

Bottles per case 6 bottles • Weight 8.5 kg

Case dimensions Lenght 25.5 cm • Height 31 cm • Width 17.5 cm

**Palletisation** 95 cases • Weight 836.2 kg • Height 170 cm

