# 25° ANNIVERSARY Merlot Colli Berici Doc







**Name** 25° anniversary

Wine classification Merlot Colli Berici Doc

**Grapes variety** Merlot 100%

Product area Lonigo, in the heart of the Colli Berici Doc area

Bottles produced 6000

## The vineyard

Soil - clay free grain, with medium-high limestone contents

Exposure - South - South/East

Altitude - Hill. 150 mt above sea level

Planting density - 6.000 vines/ hectare

Training system - spur pruned short cordon

Nr of buds per plant - 8

Yield per hectare - 70 quintals

Cultivation - spare fertilization, shoots trimming and thinning out of exce-

eding grapes

# Harvest period and method

Mid of September, hand-picking in crates

#### Vinification

Brief description: after grapes are crushed and de-stemmed, they remain for 12 days on their skins in 50Hl open vats, the cap is punched 6 times a day.

Fermentation equipment - stainless steel tanks

Fermentation temperature - 26° - 32° C

Maceration period - 12 days

Fermentation period - 15 days

Maturation period - 18 months in oak barrels Allier, Never, Limousin and Tronçais.

Refined in bottles for 10 months

Bottling period - April-May, in the second year after harvesting

## Description

Intense ruby red color.

Varietal aroma of ripe red fruit, black cherry, plum, with pleasant hints of chocolate, leather and licorice. Characterized by balsamic notes and light spiciness.

Soft, enveloping flavor, with a wealth of elegant and well-defined tannins.

## Ageing potential

15-20 years

## Food coupling

Game and various structured red meat dishes.

With some typical dishes ...

Stewed venison, baked woodcocks, spit-roasted torresani, polenta and little birds, capon, polenta and donkey, florentine.

## Service temperature

Temperature -16°-18°C.; uncork 1 hour before serving

#### Sizes avalibe



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