

Tolaini

Chianti Classico Gran Selezione DOCG



The heart of Tuscany is Chianti Classico and its soul is Sangiovese. When the Tolaini team of enologists discovered that the spectacular clay and galestro soil, slope and exposition of Tolaini Montebello vineyard number 7 produced impeccable Sangiovese: pure in spirit, and transcendent in quality, their mandate became clear: to create a single vineyard 100% Sangiovese, Chianti Classico Riserva. The splendid 2008 harvest was the first vintage of the Tolaini Chianti Classico Riserva and with the 2010 vintage the Riserva was replaced with the Tolaini Chianti Classico Gran Selezione. Produced solely in the best vintages, Gran Selezione is a single vineyard wine; the 100% Sangiovese estate fruit is born in Tolaini's organically farmed Montebello Vineyard "numero sette".

Grapes are first selected during harvest in the vineyard and then by an optical sorter when they arrive at the winery; they are destemmed and the whole berries are immediately placed in French oak fermenters. Fermentation is temperature-controlled, and the must is kept in contact with the skins for 40 days. The wine rests for 24 months in 25 hl oak casks of which 6 are on the fine lees as well as an additional 6 months in stainless steel.

Grape varieties : 100% Sangiovese, single vineyard

Altitude : 450m ASL

Soil : Galestro and limestone, mostly clay with gravel-sized stones

Alcohol : 13.5%

Tasting notes :

This is a sensual wine with notes of cherry fruit, tobacco, leather and hints of licorice and spice. The elegant tannins balance nicely with the fruit, all underlined by a fabulous stratum of acidity, making this a complex wine with incontestable structure and power. A long and satisfying finish confirms this Sangiovese is true to its terroir.



Press Notes

Jeb Dunnuck

2019 92 points

The Wine Advocate

2019, 2016 94 points
2018, 2015 93 points
2013, 2011 91+ points

Wine Spectator

2019, 2018, 92 points
2017, 2011
2015 94 points
2013 93 points

James Suckling

2019, 2015, 93 points
2013
2018, 2017 94 points
2016, 2011 92 points
2014 91 points

AG Vinous

2019, 2015, 91 points
2013, 2011
2018 92 points
2017, 2016 93 points

Wine Enthusiast



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2019	91 points
Wine & Spirits	
2016	93 points

