

Tolaini

LEGIT Cabernet Sauvignon Toscana IGT



The story of LEGIT Cabernet Sauvignon began in 2016 when Lia was tasting barrels of the 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon at Tolaini with a colleague from Banville Wine Merchants. They agreed this wine was a LEGIT Cabernet Sauvignon, with a true sense of place and an Italian soul. In wanting to pursue the name LEGIT, only one person came to mind. A person who embodied stylish originality and eternal hipness, an artist referred to as the "Genius of Modern Music" - Thelonious Monk. LEGIT's striking label is an iconic photo from the album cover of one of Monk's most famous live concert recordings, 'Thelonious Monk in Italy' recorded live April 21st, 1961 in Milan by Riverside Records.

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 about 30 days. Manual pigeage and remontage are carried out frequently throughout the day, usually every 4-6 hours, and one delestage is performed per week. Malolactic fermentation takes place in French oak barriques (70% new and 30% used one year). The wine rests for 24 months in barriques, of which 6 months are spent resting on the lees.

Grape varieties : Cabernet Sauvignon

Altitude : 320m - 380m A.S.L.

Vineyard age : 20-year-old vines

Exposure : Southeast

Soil : Lime and clay with a considerable presence of gravel-sized stones

Alcohol : 14%

Tasting notes :

The wine has a deep ruby red color. The nose displays hints of green pepper, licorice and graphite melted with oak vanilla flavors. Full bodied with a ripe fruit palate, LEGIT has the potential to age for a long period of time, which is typical of the Cabernet Sauvignon produced in the Castelnuovo Berardenga Area.

Press Notes

The Wine Advocate

2016 92 points

Wine Spectator

2018, 2013 94 points
2016 95 points

James Suckling

2018, 2013 91 points

AG Vinous

2016 92 points

