



*Castello del Terriccio*

## TASSINAIA

The grapes of Tassinaiia come from 37.5 acres of vineyards with sandy, stony soil and a moderating maritime climate characterized by a long ripening season. On the label two green segments symbolize the grassland of Terriccio.

Tassinaiia is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. This big, structure wine has blackberry, blackcurrant, herb and tar aromas with tobacco, cedar, and vanilla notes before dense, rich and round plum and cherry on the palate. Soft tannins broaden out in the mouth in a long finish.

Region/Origin: I.G.T. - Indicazione Geografica Tipica - Rosso di Toscana - (Toscana I.G.T.)

Grapes: Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon with other noble vines

Location: 100 m above sea level, exposition South/South-West

Vine density per hectare: 5.600

Training system: Spurred Cordon

Harvest: Grapes are picked by hand, starting on the second week of September for the Merlot, followed by the Cabernet Sauvignon.

Sugar level at harvest: 250 g/l

Fermentation: In stainless steel vats at 30 °C, 18 days for the Merlot, 16 days for the Cabernet Sauvignon

Aging: The wine was aged separately in both new and used French oak barrels for 14 months.

Bottling: August 2009

Alcohol: 14% vol.

Total Acid: 5,20 g/l

Production: 70.000 bottles in 6 bottle cases.

Available also in Magnum bottles.

Oenologist: Carlo Ferrini

Grapes : Cabernet Sauvignon (50.00%), Merlot (50.00%)

## TOSCANA

Wine has literally been a part of the Tuscan civilization for over 3,000 years. From the time the ancient Etruscans settled in the gentle rolling hills of Tuscany, viticulture and wine production have been an important element of everyday life and indeed was even considered to be mystical. Tuscany is a much larger region than many people realize and it encompasses many different wine regions and climate types. The one thing most regions have in common is the selection of grape varieties. In general, Sangiovese is the dominant red varietal and Trebbiano is the dominant white varietal. The north west of Tuscany is mountainous and is famous for the beautiful Apuan Alps. The climate in the north is continental with hot summers and freezing winters.

