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CARPINETO Tuscany, Italy

Chianti Classico DOCG

Grape Variety: 90% Sangiovese 10% Canaiolo

Vinification Process: A highly selective harvest was carried out by hand in mid-September through mid-October. Alcoholic fermentation and maceration took place in stainless steel tanks over 10-15 days at 25-30°C. Pump-overs were performed as necessary during this time. Aged in a combination of previously-used oak barrels, stainless steel tanks and cement vats for 4-6 months. Malolactic fermentation occurred. The wine was filtered prior to bottling and then cellared an additional 4-6 months before release.

Description: Aromas of violets, berries, and cherries make up this bouquet. Rich and full-bodied, this is a well-balanced wine with a velvety mouthfeel.

Food Pairing: Pairs well with game and grilled red meat.

Vineyards: Chianti Classico is located in the beautiful countryside between Florence and Siena. The vineyards are situated in the small town of Dudda near Greve in Chianti at 350 meters above sea level. About 35 hectares of calcareous clay and sandstone soil are dedicated to the production of this wine. Using the spurred cordon training method allows for a density of 5500 vines/hectare. Climatic conditions are characteristically Mediterranean, with warm summers and mild winters.

Alcohol: 13.2%

Additional Winery Information:

Carpineto takes its name from the Greek - Carpos, meaning fruit. The modern day winery was founded in 1967. Since then, the partnership between cofounders Giovanni Carlo Sacchet and Antonio Mario Zaccheo has developed an award winning, international reputation for consistently elegant wines with unmatched intensity and extract. The four Carpineto estates encompass 424 hectares of land spread among Tuscany's most prestigious appellations. From the heart of the Chianti Classico region to their extensive Vino Nobile holdings in Montepulciano, Carpineto has garnered a strong global following fueled by their unique combination of traditional and innovative winemaking. Carpineto was the first Italian winery to receive the Robert Mondavi Trophy for excellence and has been nominated Best Italian Wine Producer at the 34th International Wine and Spirits Competition.

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