

**G**rapes  
65% Merlot and 35% Cabernet Franc

**A**rea of production  
Chianti Classico, Tuscany, Italy

**S**oil  
Lime and clay with a considerable presence of gravel size stones

**Y**ield  
50 qt/ha

**V**ineyard technique

**Vine age** Plantings completed in spring 2000

**Plant density** 6,900-11,000 plants per hectare

**Production** 7900 bottles (2009); 16,500 bottles (2010); 15,500 bottles (2011); 4,200 (2014); 9,000 (2015); 2,500 (2016)

**Aging** 18 months in barriques, 12 months in bottle

**W**inemaking

Grapes are first selected during harvest in the vineyard and then with the optical sorter when they arrive at the winery; they are destemmed and the whole berries are immediately put into French oak fermenters.

**Alcoholic fermentation** The temperature is computer controlled in the tanks where the must is kept in contact with the skins for about 30 days; manual pigiage and remontage are done throughout the day every 6-8 hours and weekly one delestage is done.

**Malolactic fermentation** French oak barriques (100% new)

**Maturation** On fine lees for 6 months in barriques

**T**asting notes

Rich, concentrated and muscular, yet wonderfully balanced with big tannins and deep tiers of cherry, plums and wild berries, and nuances of spice, vanilla and licorice. A long flavorful aftertaste echoes with juicy fruit and mouthwatering tannins for minutes afterwards. Sensual and young, this wine promises a long life in the bottle.



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*Pin Negro*

Picconero  
2016



AG Vinous	2016	92 points
	2012, 2010, 2009	92 points
	2008	
	2011, 2007	93 points

Gambero Rosso	2010, 2009	🍷🍷🍷
	2008, 2004	🍷🍷

Wine Advocate	2016	96 points
	2015	95 points
	2011, 2009, 2006	93 points
	2010, 2014	94 points
	2007	91 points

James Suckling	2018	95 points
	2017	94-95 points
	2016	96 points
	2015, 2011, 2009	93 points
	2010, 2008	94 points

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Wine Spectator	2016	92 points
	2015, 2011, 2007	93 points
	2010	90 points
	2009, 2005	91 points
	2006	94 points
Veronelli	2015, 2010, 2009	★ ★ ★
Falstaff	2010	93 points



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