
Terre Stregate Aglianico “Manent” Sannio DOC

Winery: Terre Stregate
Category: Wine – Still – Red
Grape Variety: Aglianico
Region: Guardia Sanframondi, Sannio / Campania/ Italy
Vineyard: Guardiesi Hills
Winery established: 1998
Feature: Organic viticulture



Product Information

Soil: Calcareous clay, structured with small stones

Elevation: 400-450 meters (1,312 to 1,475 feet)

Vinification: Stainless steel fermentation, aged 6-8 months in stainless steel containers and a small part in barrique. Further aged in bottles before its release.

Yield: 6000/8000 kg per hectare.

Tasting Note: Vibrant deep ruby color. Powerful but uplifting, with a fragrant nose of dark cherry and anise, structured palate with explosive flavor of dark fruits, great acidity, earthy notes and herbs and a little touch of cocoa on the long finish.

Alc: 14%

Producer Information

Legend has it that witches from the village of Benevento gather around their smoking cauldron under a walnut tree on the banks of the river Calore. Thus the estate's name, Terre Stregate: "haunted land." Young Filomena Iacobucci and her brother Carlo, together with their parents, have 1000-year-old traditions from their region at their backs, not to mention more than 120 years of family history on this estate, which was founded by forbear Filippo Iacobucci in 1898.

The vineyard took a hiatus starting in the sixties when a discouraged Armando told his sons to abandon the cellar and focus on the mill. It took another generation's optimism to revive winemaking starting in 2004. They now farm 25 hectares of vines with organic practices here on the chalky soils of the Guardiesi hills north of Taburno mountain. Repeated Tre Bicchieri awards are a testament to the estate's promise.

The symbol of the winery is a circle for the sun, who stays with the vines by day; the moon who is their companion at night; and the eye, perhaps the witch's eye, but certainly also the vision of the family--to create something new by working in harmony with the magical gifts of nature. Dedicated to preserving the region's ancient grapes, including Aglianico, Falanghina, and Greco, the names of each wine weave local mythology with the history of this family that reaches so far back into the ancient hills of Sannio.