

MARCHESI FUMANELLI

AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA DOC 2011

BACKGROUND

The Marchesi Fumanelli family has cultivated grapes and produced wines from their estate for 28 generations dating back to 1470. They deftly combine traditional and modern techniques to produce authentic expressions of their distinctive terroir. Fumanelli is one of the region's largest and most historic family owned wineries, having 78 acres of exclusively estate grown fruit within the walls of their ancient property, located eight miles from Verona. The Squarano estate is situated in the heart of Valpolicella, on a gentle hilltop surrounded by vineyards, cherry, and cypress trees.

APPELLATION

Valpolicella, Italy

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

40% Corvina, 40% Corvinone, 20% Rondinella

WINEMAKING & VINTAGE NOTES

Hand harvested and selected from 30-40 year old pergola and 8-10 year old guyot vines on the Squarano Estate. The grapes are carefully hand selected and then placed into the traditional wooden *plateaux*. The grapes are left to rest on the *plateaux* for 120 days with consequent drying and concentration of all the elements. The wine making takes place with the greatest respect for the grapes using a combination of traditional and innovative techniques. The grapes are de-stemmed and soft pressed in January. A maceration of 25 days follows with daily periodic pump overs. Fermentation takes place in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks.

AGEING

Ageing takes place for 30 months in French oak *tonneaux* and a further 8 months in the bottle.

TASTING NOTES

An intense garnet red color. The wine displays typical fruity fragrances of mature cherries and wild berry with elegant hints of sweet spices, cinnamon, tobacco and chocolate. A wine of great structure that is rich, rounded, soft and velvety. A richer, more powerful yet elegant style showing lots of ripe baked red fruits. Full-bodied with firm, structured tannins. Warm on the palate, with very long finish.



WINEMAKER

Flavio Peroni

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol
15.5%



Fumanelli



93 BEST OF YEAR
WINE ENTHUSIAST
POINTS December 2016

92 PTS WINE SPECTATOR 3/18

