

RODARO

SINCE 1846

ESTATE BOTTLED WINES

MERLOT ROMAIN RODARO 2011

DOP FRIULI COLLI ORIENTALI – ROMAIN LIMITED EDITION LABEL

Grape variety: MERLOT 100%

Age of vines: 26 years old

Vineyard aspects: East & West facing

Vine cultivation system: Guyot

Yield per hectare 70 q

Harvest period Late September

Grape provenance 100% Single Estate wine

Notes Evolutionary Wine. The production is available in the best vintages only. 1Kg of grapes will yield circa 0.5 l of wine.

Average annual quantity 7.448 (0,75 l) – 550 (1,5 l)

Aging In French oak barrels for 18-24 months.

Dati tecnici Acidity: 5.10 gr/l - Non-reducing extract: 32.80 gr/l

Evolutionary peak from Approx. 8 - 10 years after the harvest

Vineyard name: Romain (Terraced hillsides)

Vineyard altitude: 130 m a.s.l.

Soil composition: Marl and sandstone flysch of Eocene origin ("ponca")

Vine density per hectare: 4.500 - 5.500 vines per ha

Grape yield per plant: Approx. 1.5 Kg.

Harvesting: Manual – In small crates (2 kg)

Pest control: -

Wine style: Dry Red from naturally dried grapes

Vinification: Grapes naturally dry off the vine in small crates to enhance flavours and aromas prior to fermentation (Approx. 4 weeks).

Alcohol content: 15% alc. by vol.

Serving temperature: 16° C

Cellar Longevity: Approx. 15-20 years after the harvest

Sensory profile: Impressive appearance of intense ruby red. A complex, fruit-rich bouquet seductively infused with a heady vein of warm alcohol. It opens to ripe cherry, prune preserves, ripe persimmon, and a subtle hint of dried red berryfruit, yielding gradually to notes of cocoa powder, lime blossom honey, and nutmeg, with a long-lingering, intense conclusion. Full-bodied on the palate, it expands, warm and seductive, with supple, cleanly-delineated tannins driving aromatic impressions of liqueured blueberries and walnut spirits. It finishes very long.

Pairings: This superb wine partners best with elaborate meat dishes, and in particular with pork and boar, stuffed game birds, and dishes that tend to the succulent and sweet.

