

Montalcino, Province of Siena

Established: 2018

Owner and winemaker: Giuseppe Gorelli

Production: 20,000 bottles

Hectares under vine: 6

Viticulture: Organic

Vegan Friendly



Gorelli is one of the newest wineries in Montalcino but owner/winemaker Giuseppe Gorelli is no newcomer to the region. Born and bred in Montalcino, Giuseppe worked with the grand master of Sangiovese, Giulio Gambelli, at the Consorzio di Brunello di Montalcino for fifteen years before returning to his family's winery, Due Portine. He then went on to establish the renowned Le Potazzine.

In 2017 he struck out on his own and leased six hectares north of the town centre, comprised of 1.10 hectares for Brunello, 2.2 for Rosso di Montalcino and 3 for IGT Toscana. The vineyards, in the coolest part of the DOCG (dare we say sub zone!) at an altitude of 340 metres and facing north east, yield refined and beautifully perfumed Sangiovese.

In the cantina Giuseppe uses ambient yeasts, long macerations of between 30-35 days for both Rosso and Brunello and the oak is mostly Slavonian, with various sizes from both Garbellotto and Pauscha. Rosso di Montalcino ferments half in cask and half in stainless steel and is aged for ten months in cask. Brunello is fermented only in cask and aged for forty months. Both wines are bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

These are classic Montalcino wines at their finest with laser like purity. All the markers of great Sangiovese (red cherry, berry, floral and mineral/earth notes) are in detail, the palate juicy and complex driven by more by finesse and elegance over power.

Rosso di Montalcino DOC

2018 *Just mid ruby. Gorgeous nose of cherry and burnt spices, iron and blood-orange skin. Concentrated, pure cherry fruit framed by bags of finely grained tannins. Long and focused. A fantastic debut. 17.5 points, Walter Speller*

2019 *Just mid ruby. Cool crushed cranberry and sour-cherry nose that is still a little closed. Subtle and deep with hints of oatmeal. Still embryonic. Elegant crushed berries and sour-cherry palate with gripping, long tannins. Minerally cherry finish. Overachieving Rosso di Montalcino that deserves a little more time in bottle. 17.5 points, Walter Speller*

Brunello di Montalcino DOCG

2018 *Aromas of tilled earth, new leather, blue flower and forest floor mingle with whiffs of cake spice on this delicious wine. Both elegant and earthy, the smooth palate delivers crushed black cherry, star anise, nutmeg and an earthy truffle note alongside lithe tannins before a minty close. 96 points, Kerin O'Keef*

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