

# RISERVA DUCALE ORO

## CHIANTI CLASSICO GRAN SELEZIONE DOCG



### *Vineyards*

Selected vineyards from the Ruffino Estates of Gretole and Santedame, located in the heart of Castellina in Chianti.

**Soil:** hilly land with impoverished soil of mixed clay and sand, abundant in stones and galestro.

**Altitude:** from 250 to 400 meters above sea level.



### *Grape varieties*

>=80% Sangiovese + other Chianti Classico grape varieties (Ampelographic Base - Chianti Classico DOCG Production Guidelines Art.2)



### *Vintage* 2016

A good vintage with a regular ripening and picking season.

**First vintage:** 1947



### *Vinification and ageing*

Riserva Ducale Oro is produced with grapes meticulously selected during harvest. The alcoholic fermentation and maceration, aided by racking and délestage, took place in temperature-controlled stainless-steel vats for 21 days. The malolactic fermentation took place in concrete vats. The wine is aged for about 36 months, including the first 12 months in concrete vats, followed by 12 months in large Slavonian oak casks and a final 12 months of aging in barriques used for four and more years.

**Bottle ageing:** a minimum of 3 months

**Alcohol content:** 14.5%



### *Tasting notes*

**Color:** ruby red with garnet hues.

**Aroma:** intense notes of cherry, plum and violet stand out, unfurling a more complex bouquet with hints of eucalyptus, chocolate and black pepper.

**Tasting profile:** a wine of impressive structure with elegant tannins supported by nice acidity. The finish is characterized by pleasing sensations of sweet tobacco with a persistent finish that recalls clear hints of plum and balsamic notes. Riserva Ducale Oro will age gracefully for decades.



### *Why?*

- Riserva Ducale Oro is released only in exceptional vintage years since 1947 and represents one of the best and most historical example of Chianti Classico Gran Selezione Docg.
- Riserva Ducale Oro is capable of ageing for decades and still today vintages from the 70's surprise the audience in vertical tastings.
- A multi-award-winning and international renowned wine, Riserva Ducale Oro is the truest expression of the Castellina subregion of Chianti Classico.

