





Production area: foothills of Casteggio, in a single vineyard

adjacent to the estate. **Soil:** lime/clay. Basic pH.

Vineyards orientation: NW-NE Vineyards altitude: 160 m AMSL Training system: simple Guyot Average age of the vines: 19 years Vine density: 5.000 vines per hectare

Yield: less than 1 kg per vine

Harvest: the grapes come from the central part of the historical Vigna del Pino. After light cluster trimming and leaf thinning in mid-July, we further selected the clusters shortly before harvest. The grapes are hand-harvested in 15 kg boxes, carefully selecting the best ones.

Vinification: destemming and gentle crushing of the grapes. Natural fermentation with indigenous yeasts in stainless-steel vats at a controlled temperature always kept below 26 °C. 15-day maceration. During maceration, the wine is punched down and pumped over several times, depending on the kinetics of the fermentation. A natural malolactic fermentation takes place in the autumn following the harvest in small second-fill oak barrels.

Ageing: 12 months in 25 hl barrels, 6 months in stainless-steel vats and a minimum of additional 12 months in bottle.

Sight: ruby red colour with garnet highlights.

Nose: intense, with notes of spices, ripe berries, peculiar balsamic overtones (pine and sage) and a closing note of Seville orange.

Palate: fresh, fruity, fragrant and well-balanced. Fully reflective of the grape variety. Very elegant and balsamic, with an acidity

which makes it very promising for ageing.

Ageing potential: over 20 years.

Vintage: 2014

Date of harvest: September 1st 2014 Date of bottling: July 20th 2016 2014 production: 4.980 bottles (0,75 l). Also available in magnum format (1,5 l).

Notes about the 2014 vintage:

sprouting started as usual in April and May, but in June and July rainfall was unusually persistent (24 days with rain in July). So, a heavy thinning of the grapes (up to 40%) was conducted to get a good ripening. Before the harvest, we entered the vineyard three times to thin again the grapes and select the best ones. The 2014 vintage was surely a difficult one because it needed a lot of careful operations, but in the end a rewarding one because the grapes fully expressed the aromatic potential of Pinot Noir with just a small amount of tannins.

Analytical data:

- alcohol: 13,83% vol
- acidity: 5,1 g/l
- residual sugar: < 0.5 g/l
- sulphites: 75 mg/l
- dry extract: 27 g/l

First vintage: 1989

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