



# Giocato Merlot

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Made by incomparable Tuscan winemaker Fabrizio Moltard, who is the enologist for such terrific boutique estates as Perazzeta, Fattoria Capannacce, Rigoloccio and others, Giocato Merlot is for coastal Tuscan Merlot what Giocato Pinot Grigio is for Friuli/Slovenian Pinot Grigio – bright, expressive, piercingly clean and varietally proper, with generous fruits, spices and acidity to offer an extremely compelling wine at an equally compelling price. One of the best values we have come across.



LOCATION

Toscana, Italia.  
*(Town of Montenero d'Orcia)*  
7 hectares. 300-340 meters.



SOIL

River stones, chunks of quartz, and ancient flaky shells.



ESTATE

Giocato.  
(jo-KA-toh)



VINE

Spurred Cordon.  
4,980 vines per hectare.  
1 bottle per plant average yield.



WINEMAKER

Fabrizio Moltard.  
(fah-bree-ZEE-oh  
MOHL-tard)



VINIFICATION

Fermentation and malolactic in stainless steel tanks.



VARIETALS

100% Merlot.



BARREL

No barrel aging.



RESIDUAL SUGAR

1.5 grams per liter.



MATURATION

2 months in the bottle.



ACIDITY

5.2 grams per liter.



VINTAGE PRODUCTION

10,000 cases.



ALCOHOL

14.0% by volume.



FOOD PAIRING

Fresh penne with tomatoes, roast chicken, and hearty hard cheeses.



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