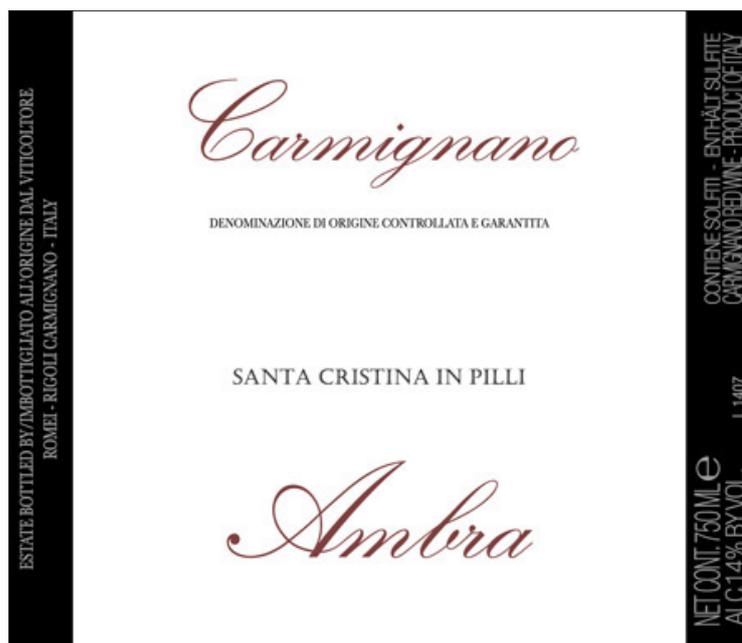


Ambra

Carmignano
"S. Cristina in Pilli" 2013

Tuscany



Appellation: CARMIGNANO DOCG

Zone: Carmignano

Cru: S. Cristina in Pilli

Vineyard extension (hectares): 5

Blend: 75% Sangiovese - 10% Cabernet - 10% Canaiolo nero - 5% other approved red berry varieties

Vineyard age (year of planting): Sangiovese 1975,1991,1999 - Cabernet 1975,1991,1999 - Canaiolo nero 1975 - other approved red berry varieties 1975,1991,1999

Soil Type: Limestone

Exposure: South, South-East

Altitude: n/a

Colour: Brilliant ruby red

Nose: Intense, persistent, fruity, cherry, cassis

Flavour: Warm, supple tannins, fresh, well balanced

Serving temperature (°C): 18

Match with: Pasta dishes with game sauces, medium aged cheeses

Average no. bottles/year: 20,000

Alcohol %: n/a

Grape yield per hectare tons: 4

Notes: n/a

Vinification and ageing: Maceration on the skins for 10-15 days in steel with temperature control after 2 days of cold maceration, maturation for 12 months 50% in tonneaux, 50% in oak casks. Finishing in the bottle.

Awards: n/a

Estate History

Fattoria Ambra has belonged to the Romei Rigoli family since 1870. The estate is located near the Ombrone river and the Villa Medicea of Poggio a Caiano. It is named after the poem "Ambra", written in the 15th century by Lorenzo Il Magnifico. The vineyards, of an extension of 20 hectares, stand in the hills of Montalbiolo, Elzana, Santa Cristina in Pilli and Montefortini, four of the most important crus of Carmignano. DOCG Carmignano is bottled as "Riserva Le Vigne Alte di Montalbiolo", "Riserva Elzana", "Vigna di Montefortini" and "Vigna di Santa Cristina in Pilli". The blend is mostly Sangiovese together with Cabernet Sauvignon, Canaiolo Nero, Colarino, Merlot and Syrah. A young version of Carmignano, "Barco Reale", and a rosè wine, "Vin Ruspo", complete the range of wines. Cabernet Sauvignon, previously called "Uva Francesca" ("French Grapes"), has been grown in Carmignano since 1700 when it was introduced by the Medici family. In Italy the name of Carmignano has been synonymous of fine wine ever since the 13th century and so great was its reputation that Cosimo III de' Medici, Grand Duke of Tuscany, decreed in 1716 that the appellation be strictly controlled. The borders of the ancient appellation remain identical to this day, making it one of the smallest DOCG areas in Italy.

