



PETROGNANO

ORIGIN & VITICULTURAL MATERIAL

The ORCI project expresses the identity of its terroir at its purest, through carefully selected grape varieties and a distinctive winemaking approach inspired by ancient vinification traditions. It embodies a deep connection with Montelupo Fiorentino, home to the estate and renowned as Tuscany's historic centre of ceramics, where the small terracotta vessels known as orci have been traditionally crafted for centuries.

Petrognano's clay-rich soils produce grapes with a naturally high concentration of polyphenols. The use of locally crafted terracotta, deeply rooted in the area's heritage, promotes the refinement of tannins while enhancing varietal expression, imparting a distinctive character to each wine.

The grapes are hand-harvested with meticulous attention to both fruit health and optimal ripeness, and are sourced exclusively from the estate's historic vineyards, over 50 years of age. The terracotta vessels are filled with whole berries and placed in the coolest area of the cellar, where the must remains in contact with the skins throughout fermentation and maceration for approximately three months.

Racking from the orci is carried out entirely by hand and timed according to regular tastings to achieve the best possible balance after this extended extraction period. The wine is then transferred into larger terracotta amphorae, known as Pallò, with capacities ranging from 400 to 600 litres. These vessels are handcrafted by Carbone in Impruneta, another Tuscan town internationally renowned for the production of high-quality terracotta. This maintains the project's strong connection with Tuscany, while allowing the wine to mature in terracotta for between eight and ten months, followed by a further period of bottle ageing before release.

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L'ORCIO

An orcio is a traditional 200-litre terracotta vessel, historically used for the storage and transport of food and liquids, and intrinsically linked to the history of winemaking. The production of orci in this area of Tuscany dates back to the 14th century, and Fattoria di Petrognano has chosen to celebrate this heritage through a dedicated range of wines.

The name ORCI, which identifies two of the estate's flagship wines, is a registered trademark reserved exclusively for Fattoria di Petrognano.

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ORCI SANGIOVESE

TOSCANA IGT 2024

100% Sangiovese, a tribute to the traditions of its native land. Fermented in terracotta jars with extended skin maceration, it is then aged in larger amphorae. The result is a wine that is balanced, intense, and deeply expressive of the Sangiovese grape.



THE ORIGIN

Appellation: Toscana IGT

Vineyard Location: The oldest estate-owned vineyards of Fattoria di Petrognano, in the municipality of Montelupo Fiorentino.

Grape Variety: 100% Sangiovese

Viticulture: Certified organic, with parcel-by-parcel vineyard management following the Animavitis programme. Grapes are harvested by hand.

Soil Type: Medium-textured clay soil.



VINIFICATION & MATURATION

Fermentation and maceration of whole grape clusters in 200 L terracotta jars for approximately three months. The wine is then manually pressed and transferred to larger terracotta amphorae (400 to 600 L), known as Pallò, where it ages for 8 to 10 months before further bottle ageing.



FOOD PAIRING

Cured meats, red meat and game, pici with Cinta Senese ragù, lamb tagine, vegetarian gyoza, and raw milk cheeses.



TASTING NOTES

The wine displays a ruby red colour. The bouquet is vibrant and fruit-driven, with notes of pomegranate, redcurrant, and cherry that gradually evolve into floral hints of wild rose and a distinctive saline minerality. On the palate, it is lively, vibrant, and full-bodied, with firm, well-knit tannins and a savoury, fresh finish. It is a pure, energetic expression of Sangiovese.



SERVING TEMPERATURE & CELLARING POTENTIAL

Recommended serving temperature: 18°C (64°F).

When stored under ideal conditions, the wine is expected to evolve gracefully for up to 20 years.

