Salice Salentino Riserva DOC Il Tauro, Puglia 2022



Region

The heel of Italy, Puglia is a southern region known for its warm Mediterranean climate with the name thought to be derived from the Latin `a-pluvia` or lack of rain. This fertile region along the Adriatic coast is the heartland of the Primitivo grape variety (claimed as the origin of California`s Zinfandel variety). Particular DOCs known for distinctive quality include Salento, Manduria and Gioia del Colle. The region is also known for a range of other native varieties such as Negroamaro, Susumaniello, Nero di Troia and Verdeca.

Producer

The company was born as a retailer in 1928 in the Veneto region for sales of wines in casks and demi-johns to restaurants and small retailers. The company is now run by the third generation and from their roots in Veneto they now have a portfolio of wines produced in some of Italy's finest regions. Botter pride themselves on their focus of sustainability, going beyond reducing emissions, production of waste and non-renewable energy usage and taking a responsible approach for the whole production chain.

Tasting Notes

Salice is a soft yet full-flavoured red from southern Puglia. It is perhaps the best-known appellation of the region for its inviting fruit character, blending local varieties Negroamaro and Malvasia Nera. Its distinctive plum and chocolate character has an attractive underlying leather and mineral flavours. Full bodied and velvety in the mouth, chewy tannins and subtle bitterness create a long and lasting finish.

Food

Serve with spicy pasta dishes, salamis, hearty meat stews and full flavoured cheeses.

Technical Information

Country	Italy
Region	Puglia
Grape(s)	Negroamaro (80%) Malvasia Nera di Brindisi (10%) Malvasia Nera di Lecce (10%)
Type	Red
Style	Light
Oaked Style	Oaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	No

Dry/Sweet Style	Dry	
Alcohol Content	13.5%	
Closure Style	Cork	
Organic/Biodynamic	No	
Allergens	**Milk:** **Egg:**	No No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:** **Vegan:**	Yes Yes

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