SCAIA "TORRE MELLOTTI" IGT VENETO CABERNET SAUVIGNON



PRODUCER PROFILE

Winery Owner(s): Armando, Tiziano, Paolo, and Massimo Castagnedi Winemaker: Paolo Castagnedi Winery Founded: 2010 Region: Veneto

WINE STORY

The Scaia project was launched by Tenuta Sant'Antonio in 2006 with the aim of creating wines with a modern style outside the restrictions of the denomination system. For Torri Mellotti, the winemaker applies the appassimento technique traditionally used with Corvina grapes in the Valpolicella area to a 100% Cabernet Sauvignon wine. The result is a well-structured wine with a flavor profile that is both familiar and remarkably different for most red wine drinkers. The wine is named after a house in the vineyard. The house, owned by a Signor Mellotti, has a tower (torre) that was used as a watchtower during World War I.

VINEYARDS & VINIFICATION

VINEYARD LOCATION:	Commune of Mezzane di Sotto in the eastern part of the	
	Valpolicella region	
ELEVATION:	300 meters	
SOILS:	Loam with white calcareous subsoil	
TRAINING SYSTEM:	Guyot and pergola	
FARMING PRACTICES:		
AGE OF VINES:	20 years (planted 1998)	
YIELD:	12,000 kg per hectare	
GRAPES:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon	
TYPE OF YEAST:	Selected	
FERMENTATION:	50% of the grapes go through a month of appassimento (drying	
	of grapes)	
SECOND FERMENTATION:	N/A	
MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION:	Yes, spontaneous in oak casks	
FILTRATION:	Microfiltration	
AGING CONTAINER:	500-liter French oak casks, equal parts new, 1st, and 2nd use	
AGING TIME:	10 months	
BOTTLE AGING TIME:	6 months	
PRODUCTION:		
VEGAN:	No	



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TECHNICAL DATA

ALCOHOL:	14.50%	TOTAL ACIDITY:	5 g/l
RESIDUAL SUGAR:	6 g/l	EXTRACT:	40 g/l



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