

DON TOMMASO

CHIANTI CLASSICO DOCG

2009



Estate	Villa Le Corti
Denomination	Chianti Classico Docg
Production area	San Casciano in Val di Pesa, Florence
Altitude and Exposition	270-350 m. ASL, South
Soil composition	Pliocenic hills rich of river stones
Density of plantation	5,800 plants per ha/2,347 plants per acres
Training form	Low spurred cordon
Average age	21 years
Grape variety	Sangiovese 80%, Merlot 20%
Date of harvest	Merlot: September 7th Sangiovese: October 2nd
Fermentation	This is the selection of the best sangiovese grapes all over the estate. Harvest is done by hand; the grapes are destemmed and put in open, frustum cone-shaped stainless steel vats, with a temperature control system; after 24 hours at 20°C the grapes are inoculated with selected indigenous yeasts; total day of fermentation process for Sangiovese is 18 days and for Merlot 16 days at a max temperature of 28° C
Ageing	The wine ages in 70% new barriques and 30% in used barriques for 15 months, 8 months in bottle.
Production in bottles	11.000 (0,75 lt); 600 (1,5 lt); 40 (3 lt); 10 (6 lt)
Alcohol level	15% vol.
Tasting Notes	Ruby and purple, pouring in the glass from a bright painting palette. The wine shows to the nose like a basket of red crunchy cherries and ripe dark cherries, adorned with a floral bouquet of scented bunch roses, sandalwood, boxwood and a sensual background of vanilla. The sweet fragrant aromas invite you to tasting: a tense start with the freshness of red orange and freshly picked black mulberries, with hints of red apple peel. Tannins are smooth and calibrated, and support the almost tactile softness of the sip, where the slight herbal nuances appear in the elegance of cedar wood and sandalwood, up to a final with caramel that extends the wine persistence on the palate. Gourmand.
Pairing	Perfect on meat, but dare it also with braised lamb chops with thyme and a sprinkling of cocoa powder or escargot à la Bourguignonne

Awards	90 points: Wine Enthusiast
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