



A World-Class Red from the Heart of Tuscany



STELLAR SANGIOVESE VALUE
DONNA LAURA
TUSCANY

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Lia Tolaini-Banville created the Donna Laura estate as a Sangiovese specialist in the Castelnuovo Berardenga region of Chianti Classico, filling a gap in the American market for consistently exceptional yet modestly-priced wines true to this celebrated region's terroir. Italy's most planted grape, Sangiovese finds its greatest and most familiar expressions in Tuscany where the grape has created the Chianti wines that were most of the world's first experiences with Italian wine.

To combine the best of tradition and modernity, two Sangiovese clones are grown in the Donna Laura vineyards: CH-20 brings structure, while the modern F9 augments the fruit intensity. High-density planting and low yields help achieve ideal fruit concentration.

The integration of old and new vineyard components, in cooperation with modern winemaking techniques, yields the splendid Italian red wine value Ali, as delicious and generous on its own as it is served alongside an especially wide variety of foods... *from perhaps the most celebrated region in all of Italy.*

SANGIOVESE "ALI"

Sangiovese comprises 90% of this blend, divided equally between two Sangiovese clones: F9 brings vibrant fruit character, while CH-20 provides structure. Cabernet Sauvignon makes up the other 10% of Ali, adding additional body to this rich red driven primarily by the character of its Sangiovese. The wine sees a year in stainless prior to bottling.

Meaning 'wings' in Italian, Ali is also the name of Tolaini-Banville's daughter, her "little angel."

Juicy red berry scents; medium-bodied and soft on the palate, with balanced acidity and ripe tannins; delicious with pastas and grilled meats, but also a splendid accompaniment to friendly conversation.



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