



OUTSTANDING VERDICCHIO

Montecappone

MARCHE

Montecappone was founded in the late 1960s in Jesi in Marche's Ancona province in the Marche region directly east of Tuscany and Umbria. Owners of Rome's celebrated wine shop, Enoteca Tuscolana, the Bomprezzi-Mirizzi family purchased the Montecappone estate in 1997, as a natural progression of the family's long-aligned passions of wine and business.

The Mirizzi family immediately restored and expanded the estate, replanting most of the original vineyards and adding others while creating a cutting-edge winemaking facility on site designed for this fruit grown at this location. The estate now includes more than 54 vineyard hectares (133 acres), along with 12 hectares of olive groves, both scattered among the hills and castles of beautiful Jesi.

The vineyard focus here is on low yields, meticulous fruit selection, and conscientious land stewardship. Evidenced by the constant stream of glowing international reviews, this particular bottling is a riveting showcase of the region's unique terroir expressed through Verdicchio, "arguably Italy's greatest native white grape variety," according to Italian wine specialist Ian d'Agata's 2014 book *Native Wine Grapes of Italy*. Grown primarily and most famously in the Marche, Verdicchio is particularly well-suited to the maritime climate and clay of the Castelli di Jesi in the northern part of the region.

VERDICCHIO DEI CASTELLI DI JESI CLASSICO

Vinous on the 2016: **91pts** "Pale straw-green. Very intense aromas of passion fruit and grapefruit on the bright, captivating nose. Then crisp, juicy and saline, with a glyceric mouthfeel but also lively lemony and orchard fruit flavors that linger impressively."

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