"Cabernet Franc"
DOC Collio

The progenitor of the more widely known Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc also originates from Bordeaux and is primarily used in Bordeaux-style blends to impart personality to the wines. However, it is more challenging to find in its pure form due to its complex herbal component that is difficult to manage.

Nevertheless, in the hands of an experienced winemaker, this grape can yield excellent results, offering a wine with a charm closely tied to the distinctiveness and uniqueness of its fruity bouquet with herbal (especially arugula) and spicy undertones.

Technical information

Alcohol content %
13%

Total acidity ‰
5,00‰

Harvest
The grapes were destemmed in the first decade of October 2021.

Bottling
The wine was bottled during the full moons between March and June 2023.

Vinification | Aging
After arriving in the cellar, the grapes underwent maceration for about 10 days at a temperature not exceeding 24°C; subsequently, the wine matured in steel tanks until bottling.

Sensory Information

Color
intense ruby red.

Olfactory Notes
The bouquet, predominantly fruity with hints of small red berries (blueberries, currants, raspberries), is characterized by spicy nuances (black pepper, licorice) and herbaceous tones typical of this variety, especially the unique notes of arugula, bell pepper, and mown grass.

Taste Notes
On the palate, it is broad and full-bodied, moderately alcoholic, tannic, and enveloping. A lively freshness is primarily imparted by the characteristic herbaceous flavor of arugula. As it matures, it progressively loses its acidity and youthful vegetal element, evolving into balsamic and spicy undertones. A respectable persistence aligns the flavors with the bouquet perceived on the nose.

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Aging Potential
Over 10 years

Service temperature
18/20°C

Formats
75cl bottle
1.5L Magnum

To be paired with
Red meats such as beef, lamb, and pork; roasts; game; game meat dishes; aged and hard cheeses; mushroom-based dishes.

Grape variety
Cabernet Franc is widely cultivated in Friuli-Venezia Giulia. It is a grape variety of French origin, like the more famous Cabernet Sauvignon, but it is much less known than the latter and especially quite challenging to find vinified as a single varietal.

Vineyard and Vineyard Plot

Our Cabernet Franc vineyards are located within the DOC Collio.

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