

# **MERLOT IGT**

## Indicazione Geografica Tipica

### Veneto

TYPE OF WINE Still red wine

#### **AGRONOMICAL FACTS**

Grape varieties: Merlot

Cultivation area: Hills of Padova and Vicenza provinces (Euganean and Berici

hills)

Soil: clay and limestone of volcanic origin

Training system: Guyot and Cappuccina

Altitude: from 30 to 200 mt. above sea level Density stems/ha: medium density 3500 stems/ha.

Hectare yield: approx. 170 q./ha.

Harvest: manual harvesting to physiological ripening of grapes

#### **OENOLOGICAL FACTS**

Vinification: cold maceration of the grapes at 10°C for 3-4 days before

fermentation. Fermentation with selected yeast at a controlled temperature. Délestage operations are performed, followed by malolactic fermentation, induced using selected lactic bacteria

**Ageing:** in steel tanks, after that at least 3 months in bottle

#### **TASTING NOTES**

Color: ruby red with purple hints

**Bouquet:** fruity bouquet of cherry and raspberry jam

Taste: full-bodied, tasty and elegant, with a light geranium aftertaste

Pairing: broiled and roasted meat, cold cuts, risotto, meat gravy such as

Bolognese sauce, ripened cheese, Mexican enchiladas and

empanadas. Perfect as an aperitif, too

Storage: it maintains its aromatic characteristics for 2-3 years. Like all

wines, it must be kept in a cool place (under 18°C) and not

exposed to direct sunlight or heat sources.

Service temperature:  $18^{\circ} - 20^{\circ}$  C Alcohol content: 12,5% by vol. Residual sugar: 5,84 gr./lt. Total acidity: 5,2 gr./lt.

