



*Biondi Santi Franco - Tenuta Greppo*

## BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO DOCG RISERVA 2006

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Exceptional harvest at Il Greppo. The Spring was cold and rainy. June, July and August hot and dry with considerable temperature range and rainfall at regular intervals. September: excellent Harvest, which started on the 18th, with dry and cold weather. The must was rich in sugar, extracts and acidity with a medium-low pH. Only grapes that come from the Estate vineyards are vinified

The "Riserva" is produced from Greppo's Sangiovese vineyards of over 25 years of age and is made only in exceptionally good years. The "Riserva" is aged 36 months in Slavonian oak casks. The basic characteristic of the Brunello of Greppo Biondi Santi is its longevity, even over a hundred years.

To allow the flavour to fully unfold, the bottle should be opened and a bit of wine poured out at least 8 hours before drinking.

VINEYARDS' AGE: Over 25 years

PRODUCTION AREA: Montalcino, Siena, Italy

SOIL COMPOSITION: Various origins, rich in stones. The best are the ones rich in marl

VINEYARDS' EXPOSURE: South, south-east, east, north-east, north

ALTITUDE: From 300 to 500 metres

GRAPES: Sangiovese grosso 100%

HARVESTING: Late September

VINIFICATION: In red, controlled temperature

AGEING: 3 years in Slavonian oak casks

REFINING IN BOTTLE: At least six months

ANNUAL PRODUCTION: 11.087

### **ORGANIC CHARACTERISTICS:**

COLOUR: Intense, brilliant ruby red

BOUQUET: Intense, with nuances of vanilla and withered rose

TASTE: Harmonic, good structure, warm, balance between tannins and acidity. Sapid

AGING: 70 - 80 years

SERVING TEMPERATURE: 18°C and 16°C

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS AT BOTTLING

ALCOHOL 14,100 ML for 17,6

RESIDUAL SUGAR G/L: 2

TOTAL DRY EXTRACT G/L: 29,50

TOTAL ACIDITY G/L: 6.10

TOTAL SO<sub>2</sub> MG/L: 109

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## TOSCANA

Wine has literally been a part of the Tuscan civilization for over 2000 years. The Etruscans settled in the gentle rolling hills of Tuscany, viticulture and wine production have been an important element of everyday life and indeed was even considered to be mystical. Tuscany is a much larger region than many people realize and it encompasses many different wine regions and grape varieties. In general, Sangiovese is the dominant red varietal and Trebbiano is the dominant white varietal. The north west of Tuscany is mountainous with beautiful Apuan Alps. The climate in the north is continental with hot summers and freezing winters.

