





AVAILABLE FORMATS: 0,75 l. - 1,5 l

# Cum Laude

Toscana IGT

## 2008

#### VARIETIES

Sangiovese, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Syrah from Estate vineyards.

#### DESCRIPTION

The growing season began somewhat late, but the later stages were also delayed by above-average rainfall in May and June. The temperature was also cooler than normal until mid-July. By mid-August hail did severe damage to numerous vineyards leading to a significant drop in production. All these circumstances combined with a decidedly cold September resulted in a slippage forward in harvest time by almost two weeks.

Vintage with very warm aromas, and extremely sweet structure.

Ruby red, intense and very deep; very fruity, sweet with notes of jam, but also more complex, of pepper, and tobacco; the body is very powerful, extremely concentrated, the texture is dense and compact; endowed with excellent aptitude for medium - long aging, but already enjoyable as of now.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

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*Soil:* various types, from sandy clay sediments with abundant pebbles and well-draining to calcareous clay soils that tend to retain humidity.

*Trellising System*: spurred cordon – Banfi alberello *Planting Densit*y: 4200 vines/ha. *Yield*: 60 q/ha.

Fermentation: In steel fermenters with maceration at 24-26°C until the last 2 days of alcoholic fermentation. Aging: in French oak barrels (60 and 90 hl.) and barriques of 350 liters for 12-14 months. Appropriate bottle aging follows.

Alcohol: 14,8%

Suggested serving temperature : 16-18°C

First vintage produced: 1999