Marjan Simčič

Slovenia - Zegla - Dobrovo

MERLOT CRU SELECTION GORIŠKA BRDA

100% Merlot

Production area: Berič and Malno, Brda - Slovenia
Terrain: interamente calcareo e marnoso
Harvest: manual - bunch selection
Vinification: Spontaneous fermentation skin contact (maceration) for 21 days in 5,000-l stainless steel tank (fermenter), soft pressing with pneumatic press
Refinement: Up to 42 months in 225-liter classic French oak barrels (barriques); at least 6 months in bottle
Color: ruby red
Fragrance: scents of dark berries
Flavor: Elegant structure with pleasant freshness, harmonious and long development with a prolonged finish
Alcoholic Grade: 14.5% vol.

Ownership/Founders Simčič Family / Josef Simčič
Start of Activity 1860
Vitiviniculture Traditional / Organic
Hectares 18
Bottles produced 130.000

In 1988 Marjan Simčič, together with his wife Valerija, took the reins of the family business, the origins of which date back to 1860, and immediately worked to create a new and modern winery, with the aim to produce high quality wines. The 18 hectares of owned vineyards (some of which are more than 55 years old), are located in the area of Collio Goriziano, on the boundary between Italy and Slovenia, an area that offers perfect climatic conditions for the viticulture thanks to the warm sea air coming from the Friuli plain and a shield against the cold mountain air given by the Julian Alps and the Ternova plateau. The terroir of this area is characterized by thick layers of marl and sandstone, ideal to produce great quality wines: Marjan produces three lines of wine, the classics made from the youngest vines; the Selection, which is made with the best bunches harvested from the oldest vines, and finally, Opoka wines, which fully represents the Brda region, only produced in the best vintages and in limited quantities, place on the market after maturing from 22 to 36 months in barrels made from the best wood, and after being decanted and bottled with a single decantation procedure, without being filtered.