

COUNTRY Italy
REGION Tuscany
GRAPES 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

APPELLATION
NOTABLE

Toscana IGT
 Vegan  Gluten Free

DESCRIPTION

The history of the Mazzei family is closely woven into Tuscany's winemaking history, as well as the regions rich political and cultural past. Ser Lapo Mazzei (1350-1412) a winemaker from Carmignano is considered father of the Chianti name. The extraordinary Fonterutoli estate in Chianti has been owned by the Mazzei family since 1435 and has passed down through 24 generations. The Mazzei family's winemaking influence has extended far beyond the realm of Tuscany. In 1774, Filippo Mazzei (1730-1816) was asked by his friend Thomas Jefferson to plant a vineyard at the Jefferson estate in Monticello, Virginia. Jefferson was inspired not only by Filippo's (Philip's) viticultural knowledge but also by his ideas regarding equality. The great doctrine All men are created equal which was incorporated into the Declaration of Independence by Jefferson, was paraphrased from the writing of Philip Mazzei. Philip's highly significant contributions to Italian American culture and philosophy were commemorated on a U.S. postage stamp entitled Patriot Remembered. Philip is an extraordinary wine created to both honor the great ancestor Philip Mazzei - a passionate grape grower, forward thinker and citizen of the world and highlight the Mazzei family's special connection to the United States. Philip is blend of the finest Cabernet Sauvignon grapes selected from all the Mazzei's Tuscan estates.

VINIFICATION

Hand harvested grapes from the Mazzei Tuscan estates - Belguardo, in Maremma, and Castello di Fonterutoli, in Chianti Classico. The lots are fermented and aged separately for 24 months in small French and American oak barrels (30% new).

COLOR

Deep, dark purple.

NOSE

Intriguing black cherry, balsamic herbs, coffee and lightly toasted oak.

PALATE

Harmonious flavors of dark fruit, dried flowers, chocolate and vanilla. Exotic, complex character, full bodied with polished tannins.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 14.5% TA: 5.9 pH: 3.47 RS: 1.76

BOTTLE SIZE

750 ml, 1.5 L, 3.0 L, 6.0 L

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

