Intact and unknown, Abruzzo is one of the few parts of Europe still spared by the influx of mass tourism and industry. It offers unique characteristics blending Nature, Art and History. Situated on the Adriatic sea, Abruzzo is located just two hours east of Rome. Over a third of the region is made up of four national parks and reserves, making Abruzzo the greenest region in Europe. The incorporation of the sea, parks and majestic mountains dubs Abruzzo the pinnacle of outdoor beauty. In addition to this natural fame, there are thousands of castles and abbeys from different time periods. The region also enjoys a rich enogastronomic culture which includes the leading pasta producers of Italy & the world.

The history of Abruzzo is one of unrest and conquest. Abruzzo was originally settled by the Umbri, Picenes & Samnites: the ancient Italic people. It was then conquered by the Romans, whose mighty empire subjugated the ancient world. With the fall of the empire, Abruzzo fell under the control of the Byzantines, then Lombards and the Franks. The region later became part of the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies. Finally unified under the united Kingdom of Italy on March 17, 1861, now the modern Republic of Italy.
Nevio wine comes from this small village which clings to a hillside in Abruzzo. Set like a diamond between the coast of Pescara and the Gran Sasso, it is considered one of Italy’s most beautiful coastlines. The ancient Romans called this village Laurentum. It stands atop a hill, surrounded by bay leaf trees, or “laurels” giving it its name, and adjacent to the Tavo river, among vast expanses of olive groves. The village preserves its historical and architectural past and the characteristic medieval look of narrow houses and buildings around the Chiola Fortress.
INSPIRATION: THE WARRIOR OF CAPESTRANO
International symbol of Abruzzo

The Warrior of Capestrano (Italian: Il guerriero di Capestrano) was found by a farmer who was tilling his land preparing it to plant a new vineyard in 1934 near the village of Capestrano, in the province of L'Aquila, Abruzzo.

The statue is powerfully fascinating; it dates back to the Sixth Century BC, sculpted from a single block of stone measuring 6.6' ft tall and 4.4' ft across his shoulders. The figure is in full military uniform, donning a huge hat, thought to symbolize his high rank. It was immediately clear that it was a funeral statue of a warrior prince that had been placed on a mound over the tomb.

There is no common opinion regarding the South Picene language engraved on the stone pillar upon which the statue stands. It is on a vertical line which has to be read from the bottom upwards. The most accurate version states: “me bella imagine fece Anini per il re Nevio Pompuledio” meaning Anini has made a beautiful image for King Nevio Pompuledio.

The statue is now on permanent display at the Abruzzo National Archaeological Museum in Chieti, where it is proudly shown to international leaders as a regional icon.

Source: https://www.abruzzocamping.it/en/culture/warrior-capestrano/
THE INSCRIPTION
Remains of a lost civilization

The ancient South Picene inscription on the statue immortalized the name of the ancient Italic ruler: Nevio.
CANTINE TALAMONTI
Family owned winery

Drawn by the extraordinary potential of this region and bonded by their common aspirations, the Redmont-Di Tonno families, third generation vigneron, presently operate and manage the estate with various sustainability initiatives:

**Water Efficiency:** Because of the steady rainfall in the region, irrigation is not necessary, thus reducing the waste of water and improving energy efficiency.

**Energy Efficiency:** 100% renewable energy sourced from local windfarms.

**Pest Management:** Constant monitoring of the vines, the encouragement of biodiversity by removing broad-spectrum insecticide and herbicide use, and the creation of wildlife habitats.

**Soil Health:** Use of vegetation between the rows to protect the structure and nutrition of the soil. Use of varied greenery around the vineyard where insects can live, breed and feed. As the greenery decays and decomposes over its natural lifecycle, it provides crucial nutrients for soil life.

**Waste Management:** Utilization of recycling bins since 2007 for all waste. In addition, the skins and pips after fermentation are partially used as compost to enrich the soil. Use of lighter glass bottles to contribute to reduced levels of carbon footprint.
Recorded since the 17th century and native to Abruzzo’s Majella Mountain, it is planted throughout the east coast of Italy. Montepulciano is rebellious and majestic, full, sharp, inscrutable, reminiscent of underbrush with moist blackberry nuances, reaching unimaginable heights of fruity warmth, with sour-cherry flavors.

**DOMINANT FLAVORS**

- Red Plum
- Oregano
- Sour Cherry
- Boysenberry
- Tar

**TASTE PROFILE**

- Fruit: High
- Body: Medium-Full
- Tannin: Soft
- Acidity: Low
- Alcohol: Medium

One of Italy’s top selling DOCs!
The Redmont-Di Tonno family hand-crafts this wine following a rigorous selection of Montepulciano grapes harvested in October from select vineyards near the village of Loreto Aprutino. The wine is subsequently aged six months in large Slovenian oak barrels.

A vibrant red wine that shows an intense ruby-red color with violet undertones. With the explosive perfumes of ripe cherries, prunes and raspberries, it delivers ripe red fruit flavors elegantly framed by gentle oak spices. The short barrel ageing allows the true expression of the Montepulciano grapes.

Best enjoyed with barbecued meats or vegetable stews.
The Nevio bottle is designed to achieve a richer, more artisanal craft look.

The label’s font simulates a cursive handwriting, a nostalgic return to the times when wine labels were handwritten and its decorative branding were drawn by its makers.

Enhanced by adding a custom made elegant medallion keepsake with adjustable slip knot; Inspired by the Umbrian styled armor donned by the Warrior of Capestrano. –

NOTE: Medallion available to be packed locally upon request; they will not come packed from the winery!
Artisanal craft style

Montepulciano d’Abruzzo
Denominazione di Origine Controllata

Nevio

2016

Fine wines from Italy’s Abruzzo region

Nevio represents the time-honored winemaking techniques of central Italy’s Abruzzo region. Native, old-vine Montepulciano d’Abruzzo is grown and vinified according to local traditions, which bring out the grapes’ full richness, and an intense, deep color. Inspired by Nevio, a sixth century BC Umbrian King whose legendary status, The Warrior of Cephalonia, has become the international symbol of Abruzzo. This wine is full-bodied with concentrated flavors of dark cherry, plum and cassis. Nevio Montepulciano d’Abruzzo is an authentic example of Abruzzo’s indigenous grape.

Product of Italy

750ml

Alcohol 13.5% by volume

Government Warning: (1) According to the Surgeon General’s general, women should not drink alcoholic beverages during pregnancy because of the risk of birth defects. (2) Consumption of alcoholic beverages impairs your ability to drive a car or operate machinery, and may cause health problems. Contains sulfites • Product of Italy

Red wine - Net Cont. 750ml - ALC 13.5% BY VOL.

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