

TENUTA SETTE PONTI ORENO TOSCANA IGT 2016

WINE INTRODUCTION

Oreno, which takes its name from the river that crosses the estate and the hamlet where the Farmhouse is found, is the estate's flagship wine. The blend of 50% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Petit Verdot gives good structure and elegance, and expresses best the potential of the territory and the Moretti Cuseri family's idea of wine. Grapes are grown in a calcareous, clay-rich soil abundant in the stony galestro limestone that is special to Tuscany.

WINEMAKER VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

The Moretti Cuseri family encountered many hurdles in producing the 2016, due to cooler than average temperatures hampering yields, followed by a very dry summer. A very mild winter without snow and with temperatures far above average, resulted in a very short period of bud dormancy. Spring was surprising due to precocity in the bud burst, which was subsequently slowed by short but frequent rains throughout May and part of June. Flowering showed promise for a year of good production.

WINEMAKING NOTE

After the grape clusters have been expertly selected in May, and the unneeded clusters removed, the grape clusters have been expertly selected in May, and the unneeded clusters removed, the berries are allowed to grow and mature, before they are picked by hand when at their ripest. After being hand-sorted and destemmed, the skins are broken rather than crushed. This is fermented for 25 days and macerated before malolactic fermentation. The wine is aged in new French Allier oak barriques for 14-18 months, and the wines are blended twice – when the wines are put into the barriques, and again after the first racking – resulting in a 50% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Petit Verdot blend of international varietals.

APPEARANCE, AROMA AND TASTING NOTE

A dark, intense ruby red colour tinged with dappled violet tones, Oreno is a captivating wine. Its incredible complexity and fullness are clear from the first wafts of the bouquet. The ripe fruit notes of ripe berries, blackberries, and black currant are elegantly married with heady notes of chocolate and balsamic. Its velvety tannins and rich structure make for a sublime wine whose very long finish one can luxuriate in.

WINE INFORMATION

Country:	Italy
Region:	Tuscany
Wine Type:	Red Wine
Producer:	Tenuta Sette Ponti
Wine Name:	Oreno Toscana IGT
Vintage:	2016
Principle Grape (%):	Merlot (50)
Secondary Grape (%):	Cabernet Sauvignon (40)
Tertiary Grape (%):	Petit Verdot (10)
Closure:	Cork
Winemaker Name:	Giuseppe Caviola
ABV (%):	15.00%
Acid (g/L):	5.75
pH:	3.57
Bottle Size:	75cl
Case/Pack Size:	6x75cl

WINE AWARDS

Decanter:	92 points
Wine Advocate:	94 points
James Suckling:	99 points
Gambero Rosso:	Tre Bicchieri

