



CIACCI PICCOLOMINI D'ARAGONA



Ciacci Piccolomini is one of the most sought-after producers in all of Italy. This ancient estate has 35 hectares of superior holdings in the prized Castelnuovo dell'Abate zone, including the 'Pianrosso' vineyard (meaning 'red field,' a reference to the iron rich soils) and the 'Fonte' vineyard, which produces grapes for the Rosso di Montalcino.



"Brother-and-sister team Paolo and Lucia Bianchini continue to make excellent Brunellos in the tradition of their father, Giuseppe, who died in 2004. They are better employing their new modern cellars, which were completed last year, and continue to maintain their south-facing vineyards at near pristine levels. The Brunellos emphasize finesse and balance, with layers of ultrafine tannins and subtle ripe fruit, yet they age incredibly well. The Bianchini family was gifted its Brunello estate in 1985 by Countess Elda Ciacci Piccolomini d'Aragona, who had no heirs; Giuseppe had been the estate manager."

— **The Wine Spectator**

"Ciacci Piccolomini d'Aragona is one of the headline estates of Montalcino"

— **The Wine Advocate**

The vineyard consists of medium grain soil with good levels of marl, dating from the Eocene period at an altitude that ranges from 240 to 360 meters. The "Pianrosso" plot of the vineyard consist of heavy iron deposits.

CIACCI PICCOLOMINI D'ARAGONA 2018 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO

100% Sangiovese Grosso

Aged 24+ months in 20-75 hl Slavonian oak barrels, plus 8+ months in bottle.

96 Points Gardini Notes: *"The 'basis' of Ciacci Piccolomini house, another excellence of this winery. Great tension to the nose, red currant, nuances of laurel and eucalyptus. Juiciness and tension to the palate, brackish tannins, fruity-balsamic return on the closure."*

95 points, James Suckling: *"Roasted herbs, walnuts, olives, dried cherries and balsamic on the nose with a touch of leather and sage. It's full-bodied with firm, finely-knit tannins. Creamy and so well integrated with depth and class."*



Certified Organic Estate