



Nittardi

IGT Maremma Toscana Nectar Dei 2011



The winery

The boutique winery Nittardi lies between Castellina and Panzano in the heart of the Chianti Classico region. Nittardi was first mentioned as „Nectar Dei“ in 1183. In the 16th century, the winery belonged to Michelangelo Buonarroti, who produced his own wine here. He is known to have sent his wine to the Pope in Rome as a „genuine gift“.

The vineyard

Nectar Dei grows in our Maremma property called Mongibello delle Mandorlaie between Scansano and Magliano, only 8 km away from the sea at an altitude of 250m. The soil is mostly sand with granit stones and clay underneath.

The vintage

After a warm end of the winter and a mild and dry spring, we had a particularly hot and dry summer. Harvest was forwarded by about two weeks, filling the cellar with healthy grapes displaying superior freshness and crunchy tannins.

The wine

Nectar Dei is the Super Premium Wine of Nittardi and was christened with the ancient name of Nittardi from 1183, and, following tradition, the first bottles of Nectar Dei are offered to Pope Francesco.

Profile

Deep red with hints of purple color. On the nose ripe notes of red berries and dark fruit, vanilla and tobacco. Very concentrated with lush, rounded tannins and elegant notes as black cherries and licorice. Long and persistent finish where the complexity of the wine shines through.

Awards & Accolades

AIS Vitae - **TTTT**
Wine Spectator - 94 P
Livets Goda - 94 P

The wine

Grape varieties:	Cabernet Sauvignon 40%, Merlot 20%, Syrah 20%, Petit Verdot 15%, secret grape varieties 5%
Gals/vines per acre:	1,300 / 2,200
Aging:	24 months in new (30%) and used barrique barrels, 12 months in bottle
Date of bottling:	February 2014
Alcohol:	14.1%
Total acidity:	5.65 g/l
ph:	3.61

