



## AZIENDA AGRICOLA MUSELLA

# Valpolicella Superiore

We've discovered a modern-day Garden of Paradise at Azienda Agricola Musella, not far from Verona. This inspiring biodynamic estate is a regional treasure, with some 1,000 acres of wild forestland, fruit and olive trees, and hillside vineyards dedicated to native grapes Corvina, Corvinone and Rondinella. Since 1995, the Pasqua Di Bisceglie family has worked to return this grand estate to its noble viticultural past. Musella's biodynamic credentials are serious. Certified by Demeter, the family works tirelessly to ensure that the natural beauty and health of their 60 vineyard acres remains in balance. Today, Musella wines are the true benchmarks for naturally made Valpolicella and Amarone.



**WINERY:** Azienda Agricola Musella

**WINEMAKER:** Enrico Raber

**ESTABLISHED:** 1995

**REGION:** ITALY • Veneto • San Martino Buon Albergo

**APPELLATION:** Valpolicella Superiore DOC

**BLEND:** 80% Corvina and Corvinone, 10% Rondinella, 10% Barbera

**VINEYARDS:** The estate manages three vineyards, named 'Monte del Drago,' 'Il Perlar' and 'Palazzina.' All face west/southwest, and sit at altitude. Soils are varied: Monte del Drago combines white clay with "tufo," a type of gritty, porous limestone; Il Perlar has iron-rich, red clay soils; and Palazzina offers red clay and tufo.

**AGE OF VINES:** 20-50 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled tank. Aged six months in concrete tank, then six months in older, untoasted 50HL and 35HL oak cask.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of fresh wildflowers, mint, baking spices. Medium-bodied, fresh, tangy; bright cherry and red plum flavors.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Fresh sheep's cheese and salumi; tomato-based pasta



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