

OSTRO Pinot Nero Rosé Spumante

The vines of Friuli are charmed. Cooling winds from the nearby Alps keep summer temperatures at bay; richly mineral soils are the legacy of ancient glaciers that carved each verdant valley and smoothed each rocky plain. Yet it is the playful Ostro, the south wind that travels from the Adriatic Sea with its fresh, sea-salty tang, that encourages the lively flavors and vibrant citrus tones of local grapes. We looked far and wide for a Prosecco that would impress, and found it here in its native land, Friuli. An exclusive selection to North Berkeley Imports, Ostro is refined, vinous sparkling wine to enjoy whenever the spirit moves you.

WINERY: Cantina Ostro WINEMAKERS: Giovanni Ruzzene ESTABLISHED: 2012 REGION: ITALY • Friuli • Prata di Pordenone APPELLATION: Vino Spumante di Qualita IGT BLEND: 100% Pinot Noir

VINEYARDS: Estate vineyards are planted on clay- and limestone-rich soils, unique to the region, with topsoils of gravel, the classic terroir of Grave.

AGE OF VINES: 20 years, on average

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Pressed full cluster (color extracted during pressing); fermented on selected yeasts in temperature-controlled tanks. Second fermentation in tank (Charmat method) on fine lees. Aged briefly in tank (three months) before bottling. Residual sugar 8 grams/L.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Fine bubbles. Bright rose in the glass. A vinous sparkling wine, with red fruits, currants, wild strawberries and rose petals.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: As an aperitif; with spicy or salty foods; fried fish



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