



Franciacorta Extra Brut DOCG 2009

Grapes: 80% Chardonnay & 20% Pinot Noir

Region: Lombardy

Vineyard Locations: From vineyards located in Franciacorta

Exposure: North/South/East/West
Altitude: 820 feet above sea level
Soil: Calcareous clay terrain

Vine Training: Guyot-trained

Vine Age: 18-38 years (planted 1978-1998)

Time of Harvest: Mid August

Vine Density: 5,000 plants per hectare Vine Yield: max 1.5-2 kg per vine

Total Production: 8,000 bottles

Vinification Process: The grapes are hand picked and gently pressed.

Only the free run juice is employed. The alcoholic fermentation takes place in stainless steel tanks at controlled temperature, between 60 and 64 °F. Each vineyard ferments separately from the other. After the fermentation, the white wines stay in the stainless steel tank for a few months before blending with sugar and

yeasts for secondary fermentation.

Aging Process: The second fermentation last four weeks. After

that, the wine ages sur lie 69 months.

Alcohol Content: 12.50%

Dry Extract: 24.0 g/l

Total Acid: 7.1 g/l

Volatile Acid: 0.44 g/l

Residual Sugar: 1.5 g/l

Tasting Notes: A beautiful golden color. Fine and persistent

perlage. The wine shows intense aromas of almond, vanilla and fruit with an optimal balance between sensitivity and persistence.

Winemaker: Roberto Gatti

Winemaker Comments: The extra time in the bottle gives the extra brut

notes of complexity that make it particularly

structured and intensive.

Cellaring: Up to 10 years

Bottled: Summer

Closure: Cork

Food/Menu Pairing: Pairs well with shrimp in brandy, lobster rolls,

clam-bakes, and oysters rockefeller