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Torre Zambra 'Villamagna' Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

£24.99



Vintage: 2015

Bottle Size: 75cl

Alcohol %: 15%

Country: Italy

Description: In the glass, the wine is pitch black and the nose shows the typical notes of the Villamagna production area: cocoa powder, ground coffee and leather. In the mouth the wine is intense, with great aromatic development, a caressing mouthfeel and a long, peppery finish.

Cepages: Montepulciano

Group: Italy

Sub group: Abruzzo

Colour: Red

Closure: Cork

Producer:

Website: <http://www.torrezambra.it>

Organic/Bio Status:

Food / cocktail match: Great with pork with plums and apple purée.

Food / cocktail recipe:

Press 92/100 James Suckling, The Wine Advocate

Awards

Other Info: Torre Zambra is one of the historic estates in Abruzzo. In this region more known for quantity than quality, the De Cerchio family is one of the benchmark estates dedicated to quality winemaking. They've long understood that the subregion Villamagna, 10 kilometers to the Adriatic and 20 kilometers from the mountains is perhaps the preeminent grape

growing region in Abruzzo.

The De Cerchio family grows Montepulciano, Pecorino, Passerina and Trebbiano on its limestone and clay soils. Its southeast facing vineyards benefit from Villamagna's hot days and cold nights giving the wines fragrance and color while retaining their firm, acidic backbone.

Torre Zambra endorses the philosophy of utilizing spontaneous fermentations to produce wines as transparent and natural as possible. Consistent with this minimal-intervention approach, they do not use barrique in the aging of their wines. Instead, they use a combination of cement and Tonneau which they believe expresses the unique terroir of Villamagna. As the family notes, "The wines are complex and thrilling, the the purest expressions of their place of origin."