

ARCANUM® IL SEGRETO OD DELLA NATURA Indicazione Geografica Zipica 2010 TOSCANA

Arcanum is the pinnacle of the estate's offerings. Based on Cabernet Franc, the true signature of the estate, this remarkable wine is built to age yet is drinkable young, offering aromas of violets, roses and raspberries, with long and delicate spice notes; it is a wine that is seductive yet subtle. Arcanum is sourced primarily from the Apparita and Belvedere blocks of Cabernet Franc. With superb exposure and sandy clay soils, each year these blocks shine to produce the finest expression of the variety, and the leading wine of the estate.

## TASTING NOTES

The nose is unique in that it is first marked by non-fruits of toasted sage, roasted fennel seeds, dried rosemary, rhubarb, and rose potpourri, which are then complimented by secondary notes of dried red cherry, dried red plum, and dried blackberry. On the palate, the fruit does come to the fore, and is sweeter than suggested by the nose. Very ripe boysenberry, pomegranate liqueur, blackberry liqueur and candied black cherry saturate the palate, with the non-fruits playing a supporting role. The tannin, alcohol and acidity are all medium +, showing classic Tuscan character, and the finish is driven by dry stone minerality.

## STATISTICS

COMPOSITION: 60% CABERNET FRANC 25% MERLOT 15% CABERNET SAUVIGNON ALCOHOL: 14.5% AGING: FRENCH OAK - 12 MONTHS, 70% NEW TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.31 G/L pH: 3.72

## **93 POINTS** Bruce Sanderson, Wine Spectator, September 2015

Harmonious, this Bordeaux look-alike boasts ripe black cherry, black currant, cassis and violet flavors, with leather and tobacco elements creeping in. Needs time to absorb the beefy tannins. Best from 2017 through 2026.



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