Domaine 'ALZIPRATU

Fiumeseccu Rouge 2020

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CORSICA, FRANCE
WINEMAKERS PIERRE & MARC ANDRIA ACQUAVIVA

Located 8km from Calvi in Balagne, in the north-west of the island of Corsica, the wine domaine was created in the 1960's by Baron Henry Louis de La Grange, owner of the Convent of Alzipratu. The domaine was run by Maurice Acquaviva before being taken over by his son Pierre and his wife Cécilia, who today are joined by son Marc Andria.

The 40 hectare vineyard is composed of several south-facing parcels and is split into two different parts. The first is located north of the convent, near to Zilia, and the second is situated 10 km west of the village of Calenzana, in the upper Figarella valley. The Alzipratu vineyards are planted primarily to traditional Corsican varieties, and lie at the foothills of Monte Grossu (the peak of which is 1950 m.a.s.l.); and just a few minutes from the coast. As a result, the vines benefit from sharply contrasting climatic influences due to their proximity to both the sea and the mountains.

Vineyard source: The grapes are grown in 4 different parcels and the vines are aged between 10 and 30 years.

Blend: Niellucciu, Sciacarellu, Grenache and Syrah.

Winemaking: The grapes are fully de-stemmed and wild fermented in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks with 8 to 12 days of maceration. The wine is bottled young and fresh.

Tasting note: The Fiumeseccu Rouge is pale cherry in colour. Very distinctive in style, dominated by fruity (pomegrante) aromas which evolve towards notes of pepper and spice on the finish. It is light yet with some good fruit flesh over racy acidity and fine, delicate tannins.

Service: A perfect accompaniment to local specialities such as veal and olive stew, mushroom paté or Charcuterie (cured meats, in particular from pork).

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