

# IL COLLE

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## Merlot

### Veneto I.G.T.

#### In the Vineyard

The grapes grow in the Treviso hills, on clayey soils, where the yield is low.

Before the veraison, the grapes are usually thinned out. This process favors a over-ripening of the grapes in the plant and the achievement of an adequate phenolic maturity.

The polyphenolic charge at harvest is very high and allows a strong aromatic concentration and a simple production process.

#### In the Cellar

Maceration the skins for about 5 days and soft pressing of the grapes.

Fermentation for about 8-10 days in steel at a controlled temperature of 22-24 °C.

The wine is then racked and left to rest for 6 months in steel tanks at a temperature of about 15-16 °C. In spring, it is filtered and prepared for bottling.

#### In the Glass

It has a charming ruby red color, enriched with garnet reflections with aging. The bouquet is complex: hints of black currant and blueberry, slightly herbaceous, vinous. A leather note emerges during the refining.

It is a fresh, harmonious, pleasantly bitter, sapid wine with a persistent aftertaste. Its evolution in the bottle is interesting.

It goes well with first courses with important sauces, red meats and medium-aged cheeses.

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### Essential Technical Data

**Location:** Hills of Conegliano.

**Soil / Terroir:** Clayey, calcareous and marly.

**Variety / Cultivar:** Merlot.

**Average Vine's Age:** 20-25 years.

**N° of Stumps x Ha:** 2.500-3.000.

**Average Production x Stump:** 2.50 - 3.00 kg.

**Yeald hl x Ha:** 60-70.

**Total Acidity g/l:** 5,00-5,50.

**Alcohol content:** 12,50%-13,00%.

**Residual Sugar:** 0 g/l.

**P.H.:** 3.60-3.80.

**To be served at:** 16 - 18° C.

**Shelf-life:** About 24 months.

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