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Scacciadiavoli, from Umbria to Champagne

There are many acquisitions and mergers, but it is uncommon that a company from Italy decides to invest abroad, especially in the most prestigious territories. Today, an operation with an international profile is gaining prominence, in a denomination that has historically been rather impervious to foreign capital. Scacciadiavoli, a historic winery in Montefalco, led by the Pambuffetti family, has acquired the Champagne brand Marie Clugny (for an undisclosed sum), in Cramant, 9 kilometers from Epernay, an area among the most venerated, among the limestone soils and the legendary Campanian chalk from which the most elegant Chardonnays are born.

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Vinitaly between the USA and the Balkans

Consolidate leadership and relaunch growth in a vital market for Italian wine, such as the United States, and work to grow in the promising Balkan area. Goals of Vinitaly and Italian wine, with two new fairs scheduled: starting from the United States (first foreign market for Italian wineries, with 897.1 million euros in the first half of 2023, according to Istat data, but down -6.8% compared to the first half of 2022), with the International Wine Expo (IWE) in Chicago, October 22 and 23, which marks the debut of the collaboration between the Chicago Chamber of Commerce, Italian Expo and Vinitaly, to arrive in Serbia (Wine Vision by Open Balkan, Belgrade November 16-19) with Veronafiere involved in organizing "Area Italia", to expand a market that, in 16 countries in the area, grew by 16.5% in the first half of 2023, for 234 million euros.

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Report

To the farmers the "Excellent Vine Award"

Farmers are not only agricultural producers, but also "landscape sculptors". They have always been the custodians of the territory. The "Excellent Vine Award" is dedicated to the best Marzemino vineyard, unique in Italy and Europe, created in 2001 to enhance the important link between viticulture and landscape. The winner of the 2023 edition is Giovanni Frapporti, an under 30 winemaker from Foloso di Isera. Second and third place for the winemakers Luciano Pizzini and Filippo Tonini.

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Made-in-Italy wine ship between the uncertain waters of Italy, and the choppy ones of Europe

The reform of PDOs and PGIs that also affects wine, which is expected to close by October 24 under the Spanish presidency; the issue of the Irish health warnings that, beyond the direct damage to wine and spirits in general, represent a vulnus to the rules of the single market; the CMO Wine resources, their use and effectiveness, somewhat undermined by Italian bureaucracy on the one hand, and questioned, in another way, at the EU level; but also a directive on packaging that hopefully will not go through and be revised, because according to many it would create more damage (also environmental) than benefits, as well as some regulations on plant protection products in agriculture, but also the obligation of nutritional indications on labels, which will come into force on December 8, and which seemed to be solved with the "Qr code" and digital, and instead is being called into question; and again, the return of the theme of the "no safe level" of alcohol consumption, which does not distinguish between abuse (to be combated) and moderate and conscious consumption (to be publicized), which returns to hover like a never tame spectre over a sector that, as it was reminded once again, by all, is tradition, history, culture, economy, quality, territory, innovation, research and more. It is a sea of troubled waters, for the ship of European wine, the one outlined in the "States General" of wine, in Rome in recent days, wanted by the Representation in Italy of the European Parliament and the European Commission (also in view of the electoral campaign for the European round of 2024), where many issues were put on the plate (in more detail), by MEPs, representatives of the Italian wine industry (from Albiera Antinori for Federvini to Lamberto Frescobaldi for Unione Italiana Vini - Uiv, from Luca Rigotti for Alleanza delle Cooperative to Lorenzo Cesconi for Federazione Italiana Vignaioli Indipendenti - Fivi, to Riccardo Cotarella - Assoenologi, to Massimiliano Giansanti and Ettore Prandini, leaders of Confagricoltura and Coldiretti, respectively, among others), in a meeting opened by the Minister of Agriculture, Francesco Lollobrigida, who, among other things, also announced an allocation of 7 million euros, in addition to the one already on the plate, to help companies affected by downy mildew.

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Focus

Italy in the "Best Buys 2023" by "The Wine Enthusiast"

"If there's one thing I've learned from tasting the enormous amount of Italian wine in the last few months, is that it's the best ever. It currently provides the best value for money on the global market". Thus wrote, in August, Danielle Callegari, a taster of Tuscan and Southern Italian wines for the US magazine "The Wine Enthusiast". Words later confirmed, in an interview with WineNews, in some ways prophetic, given that, once again, there are many Italian labels, from Alto Adige to Sicily, that are present in the "Best Buys 2023", of the American magazine, which has lined up the best wines that can be found on the shelf at prices of up to 20 dollars and scored at least 90 points. 17, to be precise, with La Segreta il Rosso 2020 by Planeta, among the reference companies in Sicily, at no. 3 And two more in the top 10: the Suoli Cataldi Lambrusco dell'Emilia 2023 from Podere Giardino at no. 5, and the Barbera d'Asti Tre Vigne 2020 from Vietti, one of the most famous wineries in the Langhe at no. 8. And more, labels from wineries such as Chiarlo, Lini 910, Giovanna Tantini, Saracco, Mezzacorona, Elena Walch, Marchesi di Barolo, Pico Maccario, Masseria Surani and Paternoster (both from Tommasi Family Estates), Castello Monaci (from Gruppo Italiano Vini - Giv), Mionetto, Cafaggio and Caruso & Minini (in more detail).

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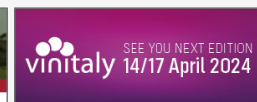


Wine & Food

The Italian brands in the charity auction of "The Golden Vines"

Once-in-a-lifetime experiences, rare and unobtainable bottles, and lunches with the world's greatest wine producers: there is something for all tastes in the 130 lots of the online auction that will accompany "The Golden Vines Awards" 2023, from 13 to 15 October, in Paris. Under the hammer of Crurated, the lots of producers, and not only, to support the charitable projects of the "Gérard Basset Foundation". Many brands are ready to open their doors for unique tastings: from the "Ultimate Bolgheri Experience" of Tenuta San Guido to the "Montalcino Experience" of Biondi Santi, from the "Bolgheri Experience" of Ornellaia to the "Trento Italian Experience" of Ferrari Trento, from the iconic vintages of Bertani to the stay at Argiano, from Marroneto to Casanova di Neri, from Sette Ponti to Roagna, to Poggio di Sotto.

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For the record

All the wine competing (and awarded) at "In/Architettura" 2023

The restoration of the Tenuta Tascante complex on the slopes of Etna, made in 2021 by Studio MAB Architettura, was awarded the "In/Architettura 2023 - Sicilia" award, reserved for the most innovative, efficient and virtuous works for the valorisation of the territory and of the company, in the category "Regeneration/recovery interventions". Among those awarded for "New construction projects" in Sicily is Cantina Graci, and in Veneto Cantina Gorgo. There are many projects related to the world of wine in the competition (in more detail).

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