# STELLA



#### PRODUCER PROFILE

Winemaker: Danilo Chini Estate founded: 1986 Winery production: 850,000 Bottles

Region: Abruzzo Country: Italy



# Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC 2013

#### WINE DESCRIPTION

Made from 100% Montepulciano d'Abruzzo grapes, grown in hillside vineyards near the Adriatic coast of Abruzzo. The grapes are harvested in October, destemmed, crushed, and fermented in stainless steel tanks to preserve juiciness and softness.

#### TASTING NOTES

Bright ruby-red in color, with delicious aromas of black cherries, strawberries, and herbs, Stella Montepulciano d'Abruzzo is dry, mellow, and concentrated. It is best enjoyed young, in order to fully appreciate its fruity varietal character.

# FOOD PAIRING

Enjoy with typical Italian dishes, red meats, pizza and cheese.

### VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Production area/ appellation: Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC Vineyard name: Various vineyards in Abruzzo

Soil composition: Clay and limestone Training method: Pergola/ Arbor-trained

900 feet Elevation: Vines/acre: 1000 Yield/acre: 5.6 tons Exposure: Various Year vineyard planted: 1995 Harvest time: October First vintage of this wine: 1998 Bottles produced of this wine: 90,000

# WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 100% Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

Fermentation container: Stainless steel tanks

Length of alcoholic fermentation: 7 days
Fermentation temperature: 77 °F
Maceration technique: Pumpovers
Length of maceration: 5 days
Malolactic fermentation: Yes

# ANALYTICAL DATA

 Alcohol:
 12.5 %

 pH level:
 3.3

 Residual sugar:
 1.8 g/ L

 Acidity:
 5.6 g/ L

 Dry extract:
 25.0 g/ L

