## SPIRIDIONE, MEROLT RISERVA DOC COLLI DEL TRASIMENO

Grape Variety: Merlot (100%)

Soil composition: Mainly calcareous with clay-like.

**Training system and vine density:** Traditional double Guyot, with 5,200 vines per hectare.

Harvest: Traditional hand-harvesting.

**Vinification**: Fermentation inside steel tanks of 50 hl at a controlled temperature with the use of natural yeasts. Long contact of the skins with the must, to allow the extraction of colour, tannins and flavours.

**Ageing:** The wine is aged in French Barriques for at least 18 months and is left to mature in bottles placed in special dark, cool cellars for few months.

**Tasting Characteristics:** Ruby red colour, with garnet reflections and with variable intensity depending on the vintage. To the nose hints of fruit (black-cherry and sultana), pungent spice, eucalyptus, coffee and dark chocolate. Deep and complex. An elegant wine of great structure and with a pleasant tannic eveloping.

**Food Pairings**: It achieves its best expression when served with red meats, particularly game, and with dishes dressed with truffle. It is also excellent with fresh egg pasta and meat sauce, and with risotto, as well as medium-mature cow's milk and goat's milk cheeses.

**Service Temperature:** serve it at temperatures between 18-20°C. **Alcohol content:** 14,5-15% by vol., depending on the vintage.

**Note**: The Spiridione Merlot D.O.C. Riserva occupies an outstanding role for our estate. With this wine, we wish to propose a bottle of the very highest level!

## **AWARDS:**

Vintage 2008: Silver Medal, Enologues de France - "Vins du Monde", Paris.

Vintage 2010: Golden Medal, Competition of Città del Vino "La Selezione del Sindaco" at Lisbona, Portugal.

Vintage 2011: Silver Medal, Concours Mondial de Bruxelles, Belgium.

Vintage 2012: **Golden Medal**, Competition of Città del Vino "La Selezione del Sindaco". Vintage 2013: **Medaglia d'Argento**, Sélections Mondiales Des Vins, Canada Quebec City.

Vintage 2015: **93 Points** Luca Maroni Guide 2019, The Italian Best Wines

Vintage 2017: Golden Medal at Berliner Wein Trophy 2020

