



# Pinot Nero Sanct Valentin 2016

Pinot noir, a native of France, has been grown since 1850 in South Tyrol; here, it is called Pinot Nero (Blauburgunder in German). The vine, which originates in Burgundy, is a big challenge for any winemaker. It makes great demands not only in terms of both soil and climate, but also on the winemaker. Since 1995, only the best and oldest vineyards have been used for the Sanct Valentin Pinot Noir. Low yields and accurate care will ensure a fine, very sensual red wine. The winery's most important red wine shines in the glass with finesse, fruit, well-balanced body and fine tannins. It has excellent aging potential.



Ruby-red



Aromas of small berries, violets and smoky vanilla. When aged: notes of porcini mushrooms and truffles.



Spicy, supple, seductive

## Grapevines

**Variety:** Pinot Noir  
**Age:** 10 to 24 years

## Area of Cultivation

**Sites:** Various vineyards in St. Michael-Eppan and the surrounding areas (400-550 m)  
**Exposure:** South/southeast to southwest  
**Soil:** Moraine debris and limestone gravel  
**Training System:** Guyot

## Harvest

End of September; harvest and selection of grapes by hand

## Vinification

Cold maceration (three days) and fermentation in stainless-steel tanks, followed by Malolactic fermentation and aging in barrique-tonneau. Assemblage takes place after about a year, and then it is matured for another six months in large oak barrels.

## Production

**Yield:** 45 hl/ha  
**Alcohol Content:** 14,5 %  
**Acidity:** 5,4 gr/l

## Serving Temperature

15 to 16 degrees

## Pairing Recommendations

Ideal as an accompaniment to braised lamb shoulder or back, oxtail and strong cheeses.

## Storage/Potential

8 to 12 years or more

## Recommended glass



## Awards

2015: Tre Bicchieri Gambero Rosso  
2014: 4 VITI AIS  
2013: Falstaff: 91 Points; Sommelier Wine Awards: Silver; "4- stars: Selection Genussmagazin"  
2012: James Suckling: 92 Points; Falstaff: 92 Points; Wine Enthusiast: 90 Points; Robert Parker: 92 Points  
2011: 2. Place at the 13. National Pinot Noir Challenge; Bronze Medal at the International Wine & Spirit Competition 2014; 91 Points  
Falstaff; Sommelier Wine Awards: "Bronze"  
2010: Silver Medal at the Sommelier Wine Awards; 91 Points Wine Spectator; 91 Points Wine Enthusiast  
2009: Three Stars from Veronelli; Gold Medal at SWA  
2008: Three Stars from Veronelli  
2007: Five Clusters from Bibenda;



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