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## TUSCANY

# Franchetti's Masterworks

*The 2000's of Trinoro Fulfill their Early Promise*

Sheltered by two towering mountains, the land that Andrea Franchetti purchased in 1992 is unique in Tuscany. Near the region's southern border, far from its famous viticultural areas, it enjoys one of Italy's longest growing seasons. And from the first day that he set foot on it, Andrea believed that "Trinoro" would someday produce wines mirroring the opulence of Bordeaux's Right Bank.

He replaced abandoned century-old vineyards with Cabernet Franc and Merlot at 10,000 plants/hectare, while experimenting with the latest methods of Bordeaux's *garagistes*. Ultimately he arrived at a regime that was uniquely his—including breathtakingly low yields—and a wine archetype based on the fabled St. Emilion First Growth, Cheval Blanc.

Many who have followed Andrea's work closely have predicted that his 2000's would not only be his best wines yet, but among the greatest wines ever



made in Tuscany. Two wines were made from yields of just 15 hectoliters per hectare: the standard-bearer *Cupole di Trinoro* and the limited-production *Tenuta di Trinoro*. Early barrel samples showed mindblowing richness, incredible aromatic intensity, but with Bordeaux-like structure for long aging. And now that the wines are in bottle, they have proven to be, if anything, even richer.

### Promise Fulfilled

Andrea's luxury cuvée, 2000 Tenuta di Trinoro, is profound—as great a wine as Tuscany has produced. The 2000 Cupole, meanwhile, is a screaming value. Both are easily Andrea's finest achievements to date and are among the most exciting and singular wines ever from Tuscany.

We are pleased to offer small quantities of both of these important wines. Don't miss either one.

**2000 Cupole di Trinoro**  
**92 Parker**  
**\$49.95 bt. \$585.00 cs.**



**2000 Tenuta di Trinoro**  
**95+ Parker**  
**\$135.00 bottle**



Parker: "Get this ... yields were 15 hectoliters per hectare, and the wine spent 14 months in 100% new French oak ... It offers up a sweet perfume of menthol, red as well as black currants, licorice, smoke, graphite and vanilla. Rich, intense ... this stunning Italian red should drink well young, yet last for 12-15+ years."

Parker: "Prodigious ... Sadly, there are only 800 cases of this profound offering ... an extraordinary nose of freshly ground truffles, damp earth, licorice, black currants, blackberries and white flowers. There is extraordinary intensity, great richness, a profound, multilayered texture and a finish that lasts for nearly a minute. This is a compelling wine from a brilliant proprietor."

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