



TENUTA DI TRINORO

## **2001 VINTAGE**

The long winter rains preserved the plants even through the summer, and thus, throughout all of September, they turned green, flourishing easily, without ripening the fruit too quickly. The beautiful autumn permitted a slow harvest, allowing us to pick little portions at a time, until it became quite late in the season and large parcels matured at all once. The result was a generous and fruity wine. I remember the feeling of satisfaction, in November, at seeing the glasses full of ever darker musts that came in from the mountain.

### **BLENDS:**

#### **TENUTA DI TRINORO**

48% Cabernet Franc, 22% Merlot, 19% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Petit Verdot

#### **CINCINNATO**

97% Cesanese d’Affile; 3% Petit Verdot

#### **LE CUPOLE**

43% Cabernet Franc, 27% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon

### **REVIEWS:**

*Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate:* “A barrel sample of the 2001 Tenuta di Trinoro revealed a similarly-styled effort, with perhaps not quite the power and muscle of its older sibling, but potentially greater elegance and perfume. While it's a bit too early to know for sure, it will certainly be at least a low to mid-ninety point effort when released next year. These are not easy wines to find in the marketplace, but this is a remarkable estate. Bravo! One of the new superstar estates in Tuscany, the first vintage of proprietor Andrea Franchetti was 1997. He is obviously a perfectionist, and is doing some things that have never been done with the likes of Cabernet Franc outside Bordeaux and a handful of California wineries. All of Franchetti's wines are made from low yields, given indigenous yeast fermentations, micro-oxygenations, and no racking, fining, or filtration prior to bottling. I have been a fan since the first releases. The wines go from



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strength to strength, although Franchetti keeps changing some of the names as well as blends.”

*Daniel Thomases, The Wine Advocate:* “Andrea Franchetti is in the process of developing a new estate on the slopes of Mount Etna in Sicily, but he is certainly not neglecting his Tuscan property, at least to judge by the 2001 Trinoro, the best he has yet made.”

*Monica Lerner, The Wine Advocate:* “Here's the wine that put the unknown town of Sarteano on the enological map of Tuscany. Andrea Franchetti's breakout success comes thanks to the profoundly delicious 2001 Tenuta di Trinoro. Similar to the equally impressive 2009 vintage, this wine shows classic lines and immense pedigree.”

*Antonio Galloni, Vinous Media:* “The cool, long growing season provided Franchetti with the perfect conditions with which to harvest each parcel at the optimal level of ripeness and he fully captures the potential of this important vintage in the breathtaking 2001. Incredibly detailed for such a big wine, it presents highly expressive aromatics along with endless layers of fruit that burst from the glass, showing exceptional depth and fine, silky tannins on the long finish.”