



## GABRIEL RISERVA 2011

Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC

Fausto di Berardino, Abruzzo, Italy

eCommerce # 538693 | 15.0 % alc./vol. | \$46.05

This great red wine is named after the pseudonym used by Gabriele D'Annunzio to sign his passionate love letters. It has a dark garnet red colour with bluish hues. At nose it shows aromas of berries, pomegranate, cherry, black truffle and spicy notes of pepper and cloves. Soft and velvety in the mouth, it has a great structure and persistence with a cocoa aftertaste.

### **Terroir:**

The Di Berardino winery was born from an intuition of the owner, Fausto Di Berardino, with the intent to promote the wines through the beauty of the Abruzzo region. The vineyards, all owned by the company, cover a total of eight acres, on the hills of the Valle di Fonte Vecchia near the village Villa Caldari in the province of Chieti. These are sunny lands, once crossed by shepherds with their flocks headed to the south in search of greener pastures. All soils have converted recently from traditional agricultural lands to organic fields, thus receiving the certification from ICEA.



### **Vinification:**

Long Maceration on the skins. Refining in French oak barrels for 18 months and then in bottles for 12 months.

**Variety:** Montepulciano 100%

**Residual sugar:** 2 g/L

**Serving suggestion and food pairing:** Serve at 15°C. Perfect for great evenings with friends, paired with hard cheeses, roasted red meats and game.

