# **BIONDI-SANTI**



# BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO DOCG RISERVA 2004

The 2004 Riserva was produced with our proprietary clone of Sangiovese Grosso called BBS11, which was identified and selected by Biondi-Santi at Tenuta Greppo. For this Riserva we exclusively used grapes from the oldest vines with over 25 years of age. This vintage comes from "La Storica," the winery's Riserva Library and has been re-released in 2019. It is "La Storica", the estate wine library where Biondi-Santi carefully refines the bottles of each Riserva vintage ever produced.

## 2004 VINTAGE NOTES

The period from April to June was characterized by cool persistent rainfalls that favoured an important deposit of water in the soil, a useful reserve during the summer. The month of July was very hot and dry while the temperatures of August were slightly below average and the first part of September was warm and dry. Harvest began on September 20th, with cooler temperatures compared to the previous months.

# **VINEYARDS**

Varietal Composition: 100% Sangiovese Grosso (BBS11 Clone)

**Source:** 100% estate vineyards **Vine Age:** 25 years or older

# VINIFICATION

The grapes were healthy, ripe and rich in color with thick skins. The must was rich in sugar,

extracts and acidity.

**Fermentation:** Slavonian oak barrels using indigenous yeast **Aging:** 36 months in Slavonian Oak barrels for 3 years

#### **TASTING NOTES**

Spun from a warm vintage, the 2004 Riserva showed lots of generosity and poise at the moment of its first release in 2010, thanks to a fragrant freshness, a well-balanced alcohol, silky tannins and succulent fruity notes, making it perfect to enjoy even at a young age. Today, with more than 18 years of bottle age, its impeccable balance is even more evident, adding new sensations of undergrowth, sweet spices, candied citrus fruits and intriguing balsamic scents to the tasting experience. A Riserva which flawlessly merges finesse and structure.

## **SERVING SUGGESTIONS**

Serve at 60/64° F. Uncork and decant wine from the bottle for 4-6 hours before serving.

# **LONGEVITY**

70-80 years



