



# TENUTA LUCE

(Pictured) The unique cellar of Tenuta Luce was constructed within a hillside subterranean level, preserving the estate's centuries-old farmhouses above.



## Brunello di Montalcino 2015

Tuscany, Italy

### ESTATE

Today, Tenuta Luce goes so much further than was originally envisioned when started as a project over 20 years ago. The estate now has some of the most exceptional vineyards in Montalcino and, as of 2018, a state of the art winery to nurture every step of the winemaking process. The original vision, however, remains the same: to produce bold and ambitious Tuscan wines that reflect the culture of Montalcino.

### WINE

Tenuta Luce's Brunello is the winery's tribute to Montalcino and the wine that emerged there in the second half of the 19th century to become one of Italy's crown jewels of wine production. It is produced in very small quantities to showcase the unique character of pure Sangiovese from the Tenuta Luce estate vineyards and pay tribute to the winemaking tradition of Montalcino.

### VINEYARD

The estate consists of 615 acres of land, 217 of which are planted to vine. Sangiovese is planted in the higher elevation parcels (up to 1500 feet), which are rich in sandstone and limestone.

### WINEMAKING

*Fermentation:* 12 days in temperature-controlled stainless steel vats, additional 4 weeks of skin maceration

*Aging:* Slavonian oak barriques, 90% used once 10% new for at least 24 months

### VINTAGE

Following a rainy winter that helped maintain the water reserves accumulated during the previous season, the budding phase began at the beginning of April. The plants developed steadily, thanks to a sunny and dry season which helped maintain the plants in good health throughout the entire growing phase. The hot, long summer was mitigated by two intense August rainfalls, which provided ideal conditions for the uniform, intense and stress-free ripening of the grapes.

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"Amazing aromas of crushed berries, cherries, flowers, black truffles and wet earth, turning to violets and black tea. Extremely aromatic. Full-bodied, deep and profound with fantastically strong tannins that just melt into the wine. Fantastic length and intensity. Truly great." - JS, 12/2019

**94** Wine Advocate

**94** Wine Spectator

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