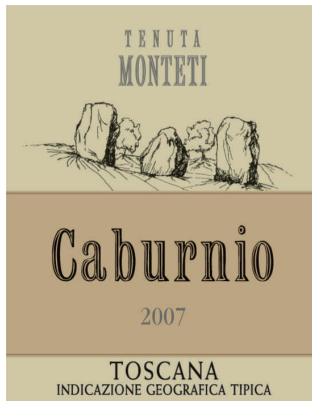


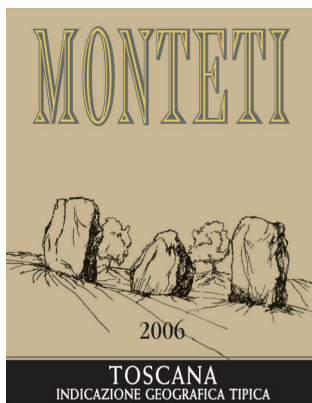
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TUSCANY
Maremma Toscana

OVERVIEW

A family-owned and operated estate under the maritime influence of Capalbio, Monteti takes its name from the hillside that protects the estate's vines from the wind that comes from the sea, and upon which most of the estate is located. Owner Paolo Baratta set out to create great wines inspired by the great region of France that also lies under the sway of the sea: Bordeaux. Baratta's wines have a distinctly Italian imprint using the grape varieties so well-known around the world. Despite modern vineyard management and modern equipment in the winery, oenologist Andrea Elmi and viticulturalist Roberto Rossi labor to allow each vintage to express its unique qualities, crafting wines that are balanced and transparent ambassadors of the southern Tuscan Maremma.

Varieties: Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, Merlot, Alicante Bouchet
Total Acreage: about 69 acres
Average Production: 12,000 cases

VINEYARD/CELLAR PRACTICES

- Vineyards are managed with attention to the needs of particular vintage rather than "the way it is done here" of much of the Maremma Toscana.
- Wines are made in a modern, gravity-fed winery, using the sort of equipment not commonly found among the neighbors, in an effort to affect a change in the quality of wines produced throughout the region.

WINES

Caburnio IGT Toscana

Principally composed of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Alicante-Bouschet, the Caburnio can even include some Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. It ages for 12 months in stainless steel and 25-30% new barriques. It is a complex wine that at the same time has a good freshness.

Monteti IGT Toscana

A spectacular wine containing high quantities of Petit Verdot along with Cabernets Sauvignon and Franc as the majority elements of the remaining blending partners. It matures in 70% new barriques for 16-18 months. It is a grandly-scaled wine, with mysterious, complex flavors, and a balanced, graceful structure.

ACCOLADES

The **2006 Caburnio** is a big, boisterous wine that captures the essence of this important Tuscan vintage. Blackberries, grilled herbs, spices, menthol and cassis are some of the nuances that come together in the glass with tons of Maremma character. This is a fabulous wine for the money. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2016.

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The **2006 Monteti** sparkles on the palate with beautifully articulated dark fruit, rosemary, mint and French oak. This is a somewhat understated 2006 from the Tuscan coast that relies more on elegance than sheer power, and there is no shortage of finesse here. This continues to gain weight and density in the glass, though, and my impression is that it will develop into a rather muscular wine even if today it is somewhat closed in on itself. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2026.

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