

WINE'S NAME: CHARNO'

**DENOMINATION: Piemonte DOC Chardonnay** 

GRAPES: Chardonnay 100%

<u>AREA:</u> Cella Monte, Monferrato, Piedmont <u>SOIL TIPE:</u> Calcareous sedimentary soil

<u>VINEYARD POSITION:</u> south-west, 300 meters high TRAINING METHODS: Guyot with 4000 vines/hectare

PRODUCTION: 80 quintals/hectare of grapes and 5'000 bottles/year

# **VINEYARD**

Chardonnay grapes are very sensitive to disease especially "flavescenza dorata" so we have to buy some more grapes from the neighbors.

#### WINEMAKING

The grapes are harvested by hand when they reach perfect maturity and

immediately brought into the cellar to be processed. Selection of the

grapes is very important for us: we don't want to have under ripe fruits, dried ones or mold. We press the grapes and the most starts the fermentation with low temperature, which is controlled to 18/20 Celsius degrees to keep the perfumes in the wine. Charnò is aged in steel tanks and bottled after 6/7 month.

### THE WINE

This straw-colored Chardonnay has an intense fruity-flowery bouquet that is characteristic. It has fresh mouth- feel and harmonic structure with long finish. We don't age it in oak barrels in order to preserve the crisp flavor of this grape.

#### **FOOD PAIRINGS**

This Chardonnay may be served with an appetizer or to accompany fish, vegetables, raw food, fresh cheeses, or even goat or sheep cheese. Serve Charnò at 5-6 °C.

## **AWARDS**

Mention in Slow Wine (Slow Food), Vini d'Italia (Gambero Rosso) and Vini Buoni d'Italia (Touring Club Italiano).

