

# SANTA CRISTINA



## GIARDINO

### Classification

Toscana – IGT

### Vintage

2021

### Climate

The 2021 growing season started out with wet, rainy winter weather that provided abundant groundwater resources in the vineyards. Bud break occurred at the end of March, slightly later compared to 2020. The second half of April brought lower than average temperatures resulting in a delay in flowering of about ten days, which took place mid-May. The following months, on the other hand, were defined by hot, dry conditions that allowed the grapes to partially catch up to a normal pace and begin an optimal ripening phase. At harvest time, the berries were perfectly whole and healthy with a good balance between sugar concentration levels and acidity also due to excellent day/night temperature swings during the final weeks of August. The grape harvest began the first week of September, about ten days later compared to 2020.

### Vinification and aging

A portion of the harvested grapes were destemmed, crushed, and very gently pressed to obtain a lightly colored must. The other portion was destemmed and crushed and then left to macerate for several hours in stainless steel tanks to best extract varietal aromas from the skins. The resulting must was chilled to a temperature of 10 °C (50 °F) to favor natural clarification. After 48 hours, the wine was transferred into stainless steel vats where alcoholic fermentation took place at a temperature that did not exceed 15 °C (59 °F). Giardino was aged in stainless steel tanks at a constant temperature of 10 °C (50 °F) to preserve aromatic compounds.

### Alcohol content

12 % by Vol.

### Historical data

High on a Tuscan hillside, not far from Siena and Perugia, sits the historic town of Cortona. A vast plain extends on one side and on the other, the hill and village. This is the captivating panorama surrounding

the Santa Cristina winery, established in 2006 to strengthen and renew the tradition of crafting its eponymous wine, over 70 years after its first vintage. Over time, Santa Cristina has become a reference point for winemaking experts as well as wine enthusiasts due to our commitment to achieving quality. The diligent care taken in vineyards and cellar management have always been our incentive to continue with innovation and research in exploring indigenous as well as international grape varieties. The resulting family of wines are different yet highly distinguishable for their unmistakable artisanal style, proof of the enduring connection between vineyards, terroir and man's dedication to the land.

Giardino Rosé expresses the Tuscan countryside and its origins with delicate, graceful, and refined aromas and flavors. Its name celebrates its floral nature.





**Tasting notes**

Giardino 2021 is salmon pink in color. An intriguing and pleasant nose that offers floral and fruity notes of pink grapefruits, wild strawberries, ripe apples, and dog rose. Its palate is soft, balanced with crisp freshness and a savory finish.