



COLLIO BIANCO MOLAMATTA 2008

Collio Bianco, one of the most important wines in the Marco Felluga portfolio, represents the epitome of wines produced in the Collio territory. The wine's name, *Molamatta*, comes from the grape vineyard's geographic location.

Appellation: DOC Collio

Production Area: Village of Farra d'Isonzo. Elevation: 80 m above sea level.

Grape Varietals: 40% Pinot Bianco, 40% Tocai Friulano, 20% Ribolla Gialla

Type of Soil: The Collio's hilly terrain, formed during the Eocene period, is composed of layers of sandstone and loam rock (limestone and clay) that were once the ocean floor. Today the sea, which is about twenty kilometers (12 miles) away, and the nearby Alps send afternoon breezes over the vineyards, cooling the grapes after a warm day of sun. Proximity to mountains and sea, along with the mineral-rich but poor soils, create the ideal situation for producing complex, well-structured wines that are very age-worthy. These soils are impermeable so rainwater flows off the surface, producing little erosion and preventing standing water.

Vineyard Management: Integrated pest management, working with nature to protect the environment and minimize impact.

Vine Training System: Guyot

Plant Yield: About 1.2 kilograms (2.65 pounds) per plant.

Harvest: All hand picked in middle September.

Winemaking: At the winery, the grapes were gently pressed—the amount of pressure was individually selected for each varietal, based on the degree of ripeness. The Pinot Bianco juice fermented and matured in small oak barrels, while the remaining grape varietals were vinified in stainless steel vats.

Aging: The wine aged on the lees for six months and several months in the bottle.

Tasting Notes: Golden yellow in color. When young the wine is characterized by an elegant bouquet of exotic fruits. Over time, as the wine evolves, it develops a hint of sweetness, reminiscent of vanilla. The wine is fresh and round with a warm, prolonged finish.

Alcohol: 13.5 %

Residual sugar: 2 grams/liter

Total acidity: 5.9 grams/liter

Bottle sizes: 750 ml - 1.5 liters - 3 liters