

# MAISONS MARQUES & DOMAINES



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## Dainero

Tuscany, Italy

Vintage: 2018

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### Overview

Castiglion del Bosco is one of the most prominent producers in Montalcino, both for the history of the estate and for its size, with 5,000 acres unchanged in the last 400 years. In 1967, when the Consorzio del Brunello di Montalcino was born, Castiglion del Bosco was one of its 25 founding members. This extraordinary property whose origin dates back to the 12th century was totally restored the property to its original glory starting in 2003.

### Winemaking

The grapes for Dainero are grown in the Riparbella area along the Tuscan coast, in a vineyard that receives beneficial a breeze from the Mediterranean sea. The soil profile has abundant pebble-gravel and iron-rich clays, elevation is 450 meters, and the training system used is Guyot. The entire vinification process is carried out in Castiglion del Bosco's cellar, completely gravity-fed.

The grapes are hand-picked and transported to Montalcino for vinification. The wine is fermented in stainless steel at 82°F for 15 days. After fermentation, the wine is matured in French barriques, 30% new and 70% second passage, for six months before bottling. After bottling, the wine spends a further six months in bottle before release.

### Tasting Notes

Brilliant ruby red in color, this finely-balanced wine releases intense notes of fruit and spice. It is full-bodied and well-rounded in the mouth, combining the power of the merlot with the freshness of the vineyard.

### Harvest Notes

2018 was a particularly fresh vintage in Tuscany. The rainy spring allowed a greater water reserve for the vines, allowing for a uniform vegetative growth.

### Food Pairing

Excellent with pasta dishes with meat sauces and tomatoes, red meat and medium aged cheeses.

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Varietals: 50% Merlot, 50% Sangiovese

Soil Composition: Pebble-gravel and iron-rich clays

Cases Produced: 2,500