



CASTIGLIONE DEL BOSCO

ZODIAC LIMITED EDITION: HORSE 馬 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO RISERVA 2006



Zodiac Collection & The Artist

The Zodiac Collection is a prestigious wine, named after its tiny vineyard, selected by Castiglione del Bosco as the estate's very best. Sitting at an altitude of 450 meters, the vineyard boasts its own unique terroir with an exposition that allows its vines to capture fully the sun's rays all day long, especially in the morning. The result is a light-filled wine of great complexity and elegance. The first set of this limited-edition series was created for the year of the horse with Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2006, a 5-star vintage, which features an elegant horse galloping upon the Tuscan estate by renowned Chinese artist Tian Shuhan (田书翰). Tian is known for his meticulous sketches, and celebrated for his paintings of landscapes and animals, especially horses and tigers. His works are highly valued by museums and collectors all around China.

Vineyard

Appellation:	Brunello di Montalcino Riserva DOCG
Grape:	Sangiovese 100%
Elevation:	450 meters a.s.l.
Exposure:	South-west
Soil profile:	Rich in clay shale and marl (Galestro)
Training System:	Guyot

Vinification

Harvest:	Second half of October
Vinification:	Fermentation lasted 18 days with a temperature 28°, followed by a long maceration on the skins
Ageing:	36 months in French oak, the wood comes from selected forests that are more than 300 years old, followed by 6 months in concrete tanks.
Alcohol:	14,5%
Total production:	888 numbered bottles, 1,5 l format

James Suckling: 97 points

Tasting notes

"Very spicy and earthy, with decadent and dark meat, before changing to flowers and dark fruits. Full body, very soft and round, with a very, very long finish. It's very intense and rich yet shows wonderfully polished tannins. Fantastic wine."