

Cantina dei Colli Ripani's Grotte di Santità

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The charming village of Ripatransone, situated in the province of Ascoli Piceno, is a hidden gem among the many beautiful villages scattered across the Italian peninsula. Visitors are treated to breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains, the picturesque stairways, and the historic center, which boasts museums, theaters, and even the narrowest alley in Italy. It's a journey that not only allows you to indulge in the delectable local cuisine and wine but also immerses you in a unique experience. However, Ripatransone has a hidden treasure beneath its surface – an underground structure spanning over 2,000 square meters, weaving enchanting paths and ancient tales.

Standing out among the local historic treasures is the Colli Ripani winery, creators of the “Grotte di Santità” (Caves of

Holiness) line, an extraordinary underground location in this marvelous Marche region. The sparkling wine featured in this line, sampled today, is part of a trio of products, crafted exclusively from Sangiovese grapes adhering to the principles of organic winemaking, alongside other varieties sourced from white Pecorino grapes.

With a zero-dosage vinification process, this sparkling wine pays homage to an ancient and captivating era, employing the so-called “ancestral” method. It’s a wine that comes to life with its natural yeasts, eschewing additional processing, in contrast to the modern classic method. Each bottle in this line is numbered, signifying its uniqueness and guaranteeing distinctiveness due to meticulous production and a minimum of 16 months of refinement, endowing each bottle with a character all its own.

This sparkling wine stands out for its abundant effervescence, offering notes of tart red fruits on the nose. The taste is savory and well-balanced, leaving a lasting mineral impression. A wine that pairs exceptionally well with meats, from succulent skewers to roasted guinea fowl, and also serves as an excellent sparkling companion for a complete meal.

Company Profile

The Colli Ripani winery is a co-operative made up of more than 330 local producers with a profound desire to protect and enhance their wine production by safeguarding the lands that give life to the native Sangiovese, Montepulciano, Pecorino and Passerina wines.

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