

# **Italian Wines in the World: Callas of Monte delle Vigne**

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## Monte delle Vigne

The Via Francigena, which in medieval time led pilgrims from Canterbury to Rome, was the watershed between the eastern vineyards, such as Malvasia and Sauvignon, and the western red ones, Barbera and Bonarda. On flatlands instead there were Merlot, Chardonnay and the typical Lambrusco and with them the new Monte delle Vigne, an underground variety, gravitationally crushed, and perfectly integrated in the surrounding area.

Production area: Colli di Parma

Established: 1983

Yearly production (bottles): 380.000

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## CALLAS

Wine: White

Year: 2012

Price (ex winery, VAT included): 18,00 Euro

Yearly production (bottles): 19.000

Ageing: Steel

Designation: IGT

Grapes (%): Malvasia di Candia Aromatica 100%

We have tasted three or four Malvasia di Candia in these Wine Meridian tastings which have widened our horizons regarding the Malvasie universe. Even this Callas by Monte delle Vigne confirms the special characteristics of this grape variety, which has found the ideal habitat for expressing itself in the hills of Parma. It has an intense bouquet of white flowers (acacia and hawthorn) and white fruit (apples in particular). It has a

harmonious, well balanced flavour in which the fruity hints return, and a pleasant and long persistence. Truly excellent when served with savoury salamis but also with a fois gras or fatty cheese.