

# Italian wines in the world: Masciarelli Tenute Agricole's Iskra

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Marina Cvetic always amazes us. This time she took out from her magical "cylinder" an Istrian Malvasia grown in the Loreto Aprutino vineyard, on the beautiful hills of Pescara, which literally enchanted us. We would always like to have this wine in our cellar, especially in this summer 2020. This 2017 vintage will certainly give excellent sensations also in the coming years. Iskra Marina is a white wine with a great personality which testifies how Malvasia can give great results even in the land of Abruzzo where the mountain meets the sea everywhere.

The vinification in truncated cone-shaped French oak vats, with aging on the lees for 18 months, has certainly powered the peculiarities of this grape variety. The nose has got clear citrus sensations (mandarin peel), white flowers (linden) but also slight notes of hydrocarbons. In the mouth the structure is clear but always harmonious and with a very pleasant freshness, great flavor and sensations from hydrocarbons that return to the finish. It is very good. We paired it with a simple vegetarian hamburger sitting in the shade on the beach and we spent hours contemplating the sea.

## Company Profile

Masciarelli Tenute Agricole was founded in 1978 by the vision of Gianni Masciarelli to make great wines out of Abruzzo

native grapes. The beating heart of the winery is in San Martino sulla Marrucina, a village in the province of Chieti, but the winery owns vineyards and olive groves in Abruzzo 4 provinces. The company mission is still inspired by Gianni's principles, whose work is carried out with passion and determination by his wife Marina Cvetic: pursuit of excellence, respect for Abruzzo uniqueness, craft production. In recent years Masciarelli inaugurated after a long restoration the Castello di Semivicoli, a XVII century baronial mansion turned into a Relais de Charme in the vineyards, reference point for wine tourism in the area.

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