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97 PTS  
2008



## Soldera Toscana IGT

COUNTRY	ABV
Italy	14%
REGION	VARIETALS
Tuscany	Sangiovese
APPELLATION	
Toscana IGT	

### WINERY

Graziella and Gianfranco Soldera have worked for 40 years to enhance the land and soil that nourishes their Sangiovese vineyards in Case Basse. More than just a winery, the property has played host to ongoing viticultural research and constant efforts to improve winemaking in the region. They enforce an utmost adherence to nature and terroir, hardly interfering in the vinification process and thereby deferring always to the inherent nuances and splendor of their fruit. Gianfranco Soldera's natural vinegrowing and winemaking project is based on a fundamental principle: to produce a fine wine it is necessary to look after not only the vines, but also the surrounding environment. The cellar at Case Basse is located 14 m underground and was built using only natural materials and carefully avoiding concrete. It is a place made for wine: "a belly destined to house and protect something precious," to use Gianfranco Soldera's own words. Every one of their annual 15,000 resulting bottles is unparalleled.

### TASTING NOTES

"After the highly unusual and exotic 2007, the 2008 Toscana Sangiovese marks a return to a more classic Soldera style. Here the flavors are quite bold and savory, while the structure is that of a wine built for aging. Sage, rosemary, tobacco, mint and leather notes wrap around a core of dark red stone fruits as this vivid, crystalline wine shows off its personality and pedigree. Readers lucky enough to find the 2008 are in for a thrill."

Antonio Galloni, Vinous

### CULTIVATION

Soldera uses 100% natural farming and winemaking methods. All grapes are harvested by hand and meticulously destemmed, sorted, and individually inspected.

### VINIFICATION

Natural fermentation is carried out in Slavonian oak vats. Frequent remontages, tastings, and tests are performed on the wine as it ferments.

### AGING

Soldera ages five years in large Slavonian oak casks, away from noise, temperature changes and odors.