

Robert Parker 90+ PTS 2016



TASTING NOTES

Big and dark, yet not too aggressive on tannin. A well made entry level red for powerful red wine lovers.

Scacciadiavoli Montefalco Rosso

COUNTRY Italy REGION Umbria APPELLATION DOC Montefalco Rosso ABV 14% VARIETALS Sangiovese Merlot Sagrantino

WINERY

Founded in 1884, Cantina Scacciadiavoli, "cast out the devils", takes its name from a 19th century exorcist who lived in the small village bordering the vineyard. He was known to use the wines while performing his exorcist ritual of ridding poor souls of demons. The estate was built as a complex and modern wine "factory," which today spans 130 hectares, 35 of which are vineyards. The vines cover a hill in the heart of the Montefalco appellation, divided between the three provinces of Gualdo Cattaneo, Giano dell'Umbria, and Montefalco.

The winery consists of four vertical levels built into the hill, allowing for the use of gravity throughout production. The grapes arrive from the vineyards directly at the highest level then move down to the second level by gravity flow to be fermented and vinified in wood or stainless steel vats. The ground and underground floors are used to age the wines. The Pambuffetti family has owned and operated Scacciadiavoli since 1954 and produces annually approximately 250,000 bottles.

CULTIVATION

Harvested from around September 15th until mid-October.

AGING

Aged in barriques and large tanks made from French oak for 12 months, and then in the bottle for a minimum of 6 months.