



SESTADISOPRA

News Letter 2009

There is no such thing as luck, there is a moment when talent meets opportunity.
(Lucio Anneo Seneca)

Three rules of work:

- ✓ *Get away from confusion; find simplicity.*
- ✓ *Right in the middle of a difficulty lies a favourable opportunity.*
- ✓ *From discord find harmony.*

(Albert Einstein)

Dear friends,

2009 has just passed, a particularly difficult year. We decided to quote Seneca and Einstein so as to acknowledge that talent and personal capability count the most. Work is the key concept in giving us and our loved ones a sense of peace.

We worked as hard as we could throughout the agricultural season that terminated with the grape harvest. Heavy rain helped us in the Spring and we had a sunny period and nightly winds when the grapes ripened. We must say however, that we were somewhat worried about the heat-wave in July and August.

Natural elements helped us during the "color change" period and at the end the vinification took place.

We were able to produce structured wines that had both an intense ruby red colour and a refined and delicate fragrance. Later on, we will see whether the wine that is evolving and ageing in the wine cellar at the moment keeps its promise and give us back all the strong feelings we had in the vineyard.

The marvel found in the vineyard, that is so similar to that of life lies within its uncertainty: the strength of a myth that renews itself each season, and does not leave out anything. Each time it brings us hope that the harvest will be even better.

All the research we have carried out and our effort is to preserve this "exceptional product" fruit of this "terrior". Over the course of history our ancestors constructed expert knowledge as far as production is concerned where a set of factors, human ones as well, have bestowed a mark of typicality and firmly established its reputation as an original wine.

We remember the occasion when we met you with great pleasure and hope that we will meet again. The grapes and the wine acted as a "privileged" go between once again establishing a contact, an identity, belonging and friendship.

Unfortunately 2010 started with a humanitarian tragedy of unbelievable proportions to which we direct our thoughts, prayers and help.

We hope that the coming year will bring you and your loved ones peace and good health.

Best wishes Ettore, Inesca

Montalcino, January 2010