

Ruffino Chianti 2021

Ruffino, a historic name in Italian winemaking, was founded in 1877 and is known for producing some of Italy's most iconic wines. Located in Tuscany, Ruffino embraces a philosophy of crafting wines that reflect their heritage and terroir. The Ruffino Chianti 2021 is a classic Tuscan red, showcasing the vibrant fruit and balanced structure for which Chianti is renowned, reflecting Ruffino's long-standing winemaking tradition.



General Information

- **Producer:** Ruffino
- **Appellation:** Chianti DOCG, Tuscany, Italy
- **Varietal Composition:** Predominantly Sangiovese, blended with other local varieties.
- **Vintage:** 2021
- **Alcohol Content:** 12.5%
- **Volume:** 750ml



Vineyard and Terroir

- **Location:** Vineyards located in the Chianti region, central Tuscany.
- **Soil Type:** Primarily composed of clay and limestone, which provide good drainage and minerality to the wines.
- **Viticulture Practices:** Sustainable farming with traditional methods to maintain the health of the vineyards and enhance grape quality.



Winemaking

- **Harvest:** Hand-harvested during optimal ripening periods to ensure the highest quality of fruit.
- **Vinification:** Fermented in stainless steel tanks at controlled temperatures to preserve the natural fruit flavors and aromas.
- **Aging:** Aged for several months in stainless steel tanks and small oak barrels to enhance complexity while maintaining freshness.



Tasting Notes

- **Appearance:** Bright ruby red.
- **Aroma:** Vibrant aromas of red cherries, violets, and a hint of spice.
- **Palate:** Medium-bodied with a balanced acidity, showcasing flavors of red berries, plum, and subtle notes of tobacco and earthy spices.
- **Finish:** Soft and smooth, with gentle tannins and a lingering fruity finish.
- **Aging Potential:** Best enjoyed within 2-4 years.



Food Pairing

- **Recommended Pairings:** Ideal with classic Italian dishes such as pasta with tomato-based sauces, pizza, grilled meats, and aged cheeses.



Sustainable Practices and Certifications

- **Sustainable Winemaking:** Ruffino is committed to sustainability through its Ruffino Cares initiative, focusing on organic farming by 2025, water conservation, and precision viticulture. They've implemented advanced irrigation and wastewater treatment systems and use solar power to reduce their environmental footprint. This initiative integrates responsible practices across production, from vineyard management to recyclable packaging.



Awards and Recognition

- Ruffino Chianti holds a prestigious place in Italian winemaking history. It was the first-ever Chianti to receive the DOCG label, numbered **AAA0000001**, when the appellation was elevated to DOCG status in 1984. Ruffino's Chianti wines have consistently been praised for their balanced fruit and traditional character, making them a favorite choice for Chianti lovers globally.



Producer's Notes

Ruffino Chianti 2021 captures the essence of Tuscany with its vibrant fruit, balanced acidity, and smooth finish, making it a versatile wine for various occasions.