

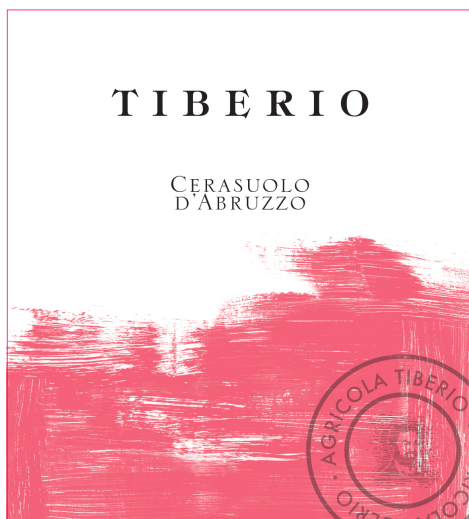
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CERASUOLO D'ABRUZZO DOP - 2023

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The story of Azienda Agricola Tiberio rings more like a new world tale than one from the old world of the ancient lands beneath the Majella and Gran Sasso mountains in Abruzzo. At 1150 feet/350 meters, twenty three miles inland from the seaside city of Pescara near the hillside town of Cugnoli, Riccardo Tiberio found an old plot of Trebbiano Abruzzese vines roughly 50 years old so impressive that he decided to change his and his family's destiny. Over a decade ago, Cristiana and Antonio, daughter and son of Riccardo, took over reins of Tiberio. Cristiana, a chemistry specialist who also teaches college sommelier and enology classes, handles winemaking and is the global brand ambassador. Antonio leads grapegrowing and viticulture. The dynamic team have established Tiberio, and Abruzzo, in the forefront of leading-edge wine making and renown in this central part of Italy. Today, Tiberio farms 74 acres/30 hectares of vines.

THE WINE

Vineyard Profile

Estate vineyards in Cugnoli (PE).

- Total Vineyard Area: 22.3 acres/9 ha
- Altitude: 1150 feet/350 meters
- Exposure: South
- Soil: Limestone
- Vine Training System: Guyot
- Average Vine Age: about 24 years
- Yield: 45 hl/ha

Harvest Notes

- Hand harvested mid-September
- Destemmed, free run juice only
- Fermented in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks using only indigenous yeasts
- No malolactic fermentation
- Aged in bottle

Winemaker's Notes

Deep, sparkling red-pink in the glass. Small red berries, pomegranate and red cherry aromas. A bright, clean crisp wine with wonderful fruit-acid balance and a floral finish.

Technical Information

- 100% massal selection Montepulciano d'Abruzzo
- Alcohol: 14%
- Total Acidity: 7.41 g/l
- pH: 3.32
- Residual Sugar: 0.41 g/l

REVIEWS

Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo DOP – 2023

92 Points - Vinous, May, 2024

A translucent ruby in color, the 2023 Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo is lifted and finessed with a gorgeous bouquet of rose petals, cedar shavings, wild blueberries and crushed stones. This washes across the palate with ease, juicy and vividly fresh, as ripe wild berry fruits cascade across a core of tactile

minerals. Hints of savory spice emerge toward the close. It leaves a pleasantly bitter tinge to linger on, tapering off with hints of sour cranberry and violet inner florals. I love the crunchy nature and filigree feel of the 2023. 2024 – 2028

93 Points - Terroir Sense - Ian D'Agata, June, 2024

Light red-pink. Raspberry, cherry skin and spicecake on the nose, with a subtle floral quality adding complexity. Juicy and fresh, this nicely concentrated Rosato boasts mineral-accented red berry flavours and slow-building spiciness. Closes long and tangy, with greater stuffing and a bigger fruit-forward profile than some recent vintages. This is powerful enough to handle richer foods such as white meats and pasta and pizzas with tomato sauces. 2026 – 2031

Family-owned estate, Tiberio specializes in wines made from authentic Abruzzo native grape varieties. At 350 meters above sea level, twenty-three miles inland from the sea near the lovely medieval hillside town of Cugnoli, Riccardo Tiberio found a very old plot of Trebbiano Abruzzese vines, which, despite the variety's name, is a rarity in Abruzzo. A high-quality variety has nothing in common with other Trebbianos, the 60 years old vines must have been a great sight for Riccardo, who then and there decided to change his and his family's destiny by quitting his job as an export manager starting his own winery in 2000. Today the winery is run by son Antonio (viticulture) and daughter Cristiana (winemaking) and it makes some of Italy's best white, pink and red wines.

92 Points - View From The Cellar, September, 2024

The 2023 Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo from Cristiana and Antonio Tiberio is made entirely from Montepulciano grapes, with only free-run juice fermented with indigenous yeasts and not going through malolactic fermentation. The wine is a delicate, pale ruby color and offers up a vibrant nose of sweet cranberries, quince, bonfire, chalky minerality, cedar and a topnote of roses. On the palate the wine is bright, medium-bodied and still has a whisper of CO2 on the backend, with lovely intensity of flavor, tangy acids, fine focus and grip and a very long, impressively complex and dancing finish. This is really a lovely, high-toned red wine (or rosé, as the estate prefers to list it on the back label) of excellent intensity, complexity and personality. 2024 – 2030

Wine News, May, 2025

"7 Rosés Our Editors Love Right Now"

The rich yet easy-drinking Montepulciano d'Abruzzo has become a hit with consumers, but its lighter *rosato* counterpart, Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo, is one that we quickly reach for—especially this one, from Tiberio, a winery that has become an industry favorite in recent years. True to its name, it's a dark, cherry-hued rosé, the Montepulciano grape skins aren't macerated with the juice for any length of time.

Despite the still-prevailing myth that paler rosés are drier (and deeper ones are, therefore, sweeter), the Tiberio Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo is dry and incredibly flavorful. Brimming with vibrant acidity, juicy, tangy cherry notes meet stony, salty savory tones on the finish.

– *SevenFifty Daily* 5/15/2025 <https://daily.sevenfifty.com/7-roses-our-editors-love-right-now/>

GENERAL INFO

Country	Italy
Region	Abruzzo
Appellation(s)	Abruzzo
Proprietors	Riccardo, Cristiana, Antonio Tiberio (father, daughter, son)
Founded	2000
Winemaker	Cristiana Tiberio
Annual Production	8,300 9L cases
Farming (Sustainable, organic, biodynamic)	Sustainable