

Zyme Valpolicella Classico Superiore

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: Italy

REGION: Veneto

APPELLATION: Valpolicella Classico

CEPAGE: 40% Corvina, 30% Corvinone, 25% Rondinella, 5% Red - Other

WINEMAKING: Fermentation of fresh grapes in September-October at natural temperatures. Second fermentation (ca 15 days) on the skins of Amarone in January following the harvest according to the classical Ripasso tradition.

AGING: 2 years in big barrels, 6 months in bottle



THE STORY

Zýmē was started in 1999, by Celestino Gaspari. The vineyards were owned by his family and that is where Celestino first started with wine. The vineyards are located in the Classico zone of Valpolicella.

PHILOSOPHY: Sustainability and being environmentally responsible are what is really important. Making wines that are true to the place without any manipulation and low sulfur usage.

BIOGRAPHY: Celestino studied under Giuseppe Quintarelli, was his son-in-law and was the winemaker and partner there for many years. He also has consulted at numerous wineries and helped many others get their start.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Seductive & Juicy

AROMAS / FLAVORS: ripe cherry, minty herbs, morello cherry, dried plum, violet, lavender

MOUTHFEEL: Smooth & Round

THE SELLING POINTS

An elegant take on the Ripasso style, not too sweet

AWARDS: 93pts Vinous

SUSTAINABILITY: Certified Sustainable, Biodynamic In Practice, Natural Fermentation

PAIRINGS: cold cuts, white and light meats, matured cheeses, stews,

