



Name: Zlatan Plavac Rose

Classification: Dry rose wine

Varietals: 100% Plavac Mali

Appellation: Outskirts of Šibenik (Vrpolje settlement), Dalmatia, Croatia

Density & Yield: 4,200 vines/ha; 0.7 kg/vine

Annual Production: 20,000 bottles

Alcohol: 13%

Climate: Mediterranean, with dry and hot summers, and mild winters.

Terrain: Located by the small settlement of Vrpolje, these rocky and rugged vineyards enjoy a beautiful sea view and sun exposure. With an altitude level ranging from approximately 50 to 300 meters above sea level, the vineyards see some of the warmer temperatures in Northern and Central Dalmatia, with interestingly cooler nights that are accompanied by constant breezes. Soil consists of small amounts of red and brown clay on top of a tough limestone foundation.

Farming: Organic. No irrigation, minimal amount of spraying in Spring and mid-Summer months, with small amounts of powdered sulfites.

Vinification: Hand-picked grapes are pressed immediately with almost no “bleeding”. This is followed by controlled fermentation in stainless steel (inox) tanks. Fermentation is done through high-grade (noncommercial) yeasts from Italy. The wine is aged for 5 months in stainless steel (inox) tanks, coarsely fined and filtered before bottling.

Tasting Notes: Plavac Mali characteristics are all present in this rose wine and that’s what makes it unique. Refreshing and mouthwatering, this wine has enticing coastal briny aromas on top of the initial strawberry cheesecake bouquet. On the palate, great structure of soft tannins and savory qualities that are begging you to try it with food.

Enjoy with spicy appetizers, bruschetta, charcuterie, fish and shellfish, young cheeses, fried chicken and calamari, Asian food and sushi.

Winery: In 1991 Zlatan Otok winery became the second private winery in Croatia after the country declared its independence. Established by Zlatan Plenković in a picturesque fishing village called Sveta Nedjelja on the Island of Hvar, today Zlatan Otok one of the largest private wineries in Croatia. Zlatan had big dreams and worked very hard. His legacy of hard work, entrepreneurial persistence and dedication to traditional winemaking is now continued by his sons, Nikola and Marin, and winemaker Davor.