

ATTEMS

(Pictured) A bird's eye view of the Attems estate, which extends across 44 hectares of terraced slopes to the west of Gorizia. Given the particularly idyllic environmental conditions, the vineyards flourish and yield their fruits in an ecosystem in which biodiversity reigns.

Cicinis 2020

Collio DOC Sauvignon Blanc, Italy



ESTATE

Attems is a historical producer from Friuli, with a long tradition in wine making and a deep knowledge of the territory. The estate has one of the best positions in the area, with several microclimates that allow the winery to enhance the character of each wine, and highlight the unique varieties they cultivate.

WINE

Cicinis is a distinctive expression of Sauvignon Blanc, and the Attems flagship. It is from a single vineyard in the Collio area, and they employ aging in oak barrels and cement eggs.

VINEYARD

Provenance: A 5-acre single vineyard parcel located on a terraced hillside slope at the foot of Monte Calvario (Podgora) in Collio Goriziano

Soil Composition: Ponca, made up of fragmented rock, loam and sand formed by the rising of the seabeds millions of years ago during the Eocene epoch

Vine Training: Guyot

Grape Variety: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

WINEMAKING

Fermentation: The must obtained from the soft pressing of the grapes is left to rest for 48 hours. The alcoholic fermentation is allowed to take place in dedicated cement tanks for 45% of the duration, and for 55% in barriques and tonneaux where the wine will age upon the lees until it is ready to be bottled. The wine matures at low temperatures without any malolactic fermentation. Following the fermentation, the wine rests for four months on noble lees.

Aging: 8 months in a combination of French oak barrels (65%) and egg-shaped cement vats (45%), followed by 3 months in bottle before release

Alcohol: 13%

VINTAGE

Winter 2020 was very balanced with temperatures that never dropped too low. A mild March seemed to announce an early budding phase facilitated by the quick warming of the soil, which in turn stimulated the grapevines' vegetative growth. The Sauvignon plants developed strongly and vigorously, and the inflorescences completed their flowering in early June. The correct water balance in July and August, with regular rains

WINE ENTHUSIAST

Editors Choice - 11/22

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90 Vinous

94 James Suckling

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