

Harvest Report 2020

The 2020 agricultural year was characterized by a mild winter overall, with temperatures and rainfall in the average; this trend led to early bud break for some varieties and in certain vineyards, where temperatures were higher than the rest of the vineyards. Such advance entailed a precautionary intervention in these vineyards, with distribution of Prepaton 507 (valerian) in the last week of March, in order to avoid damage from frost, as the temperature dropped a few degrees below freezing for two consecutive days; such intervention has limited

frost damage (on March 23-24), with a minimum% of burned shoots. The spring passed with a regular pattern, with abundant rainfall in the month of May, alternating with temperatures in the



seasonal average; the late spring early summer period saw a rise in temperature, alternating with thunderstorms, which have determined a good availability of ground water. This situation has increased a constant and regular development of the plants, resulting in a regular physiological trend, flowering and fruit set in the usual and good times entity. The summer period saw a decrease in rainfall associated with constant temperatures, without recording excessive temperatures during the day; the absence of hot weeks has increased a good physiological performance of the plants, which did not show water / thermal stress, and

therefore constant and regular development. The pre-harvest phase, or the first three weeks of August, rains occurred which resulted in further aid for excellent development vegetative, increasing a good growth of the berries; the harvest began on August 20, with the early varieties, and ended after about a month, with the harvest of the Sangiovese grapes intended for the production of red. Harvest therefore relatively fast, constant, dictated by both technological and polyphenolic maturity of the grapes; during that month there was



rainfall, both for entity and excellent quantities to a good course of maturity, alternating with a temperature range discrete between day and night starting from mid-August, which made it possible to have a quality and excellent quantity of grapes harvested.

The olive harvest has been quite abundant but with medium-low ratio around 10%.



2020 overall has been a year full of new things happening in the winery, new animals arrived as hens, bees and donkeys (Emilio and Sole), **it's the 10th anniversary of Fattoria Sardi Rosé 2020**, we follow the open farm concept especially on Sundays where people can savor at lunch the Tuscan, and more specifically Lucchesian, savoir faire in the kitchen of chef Damiano Donati.