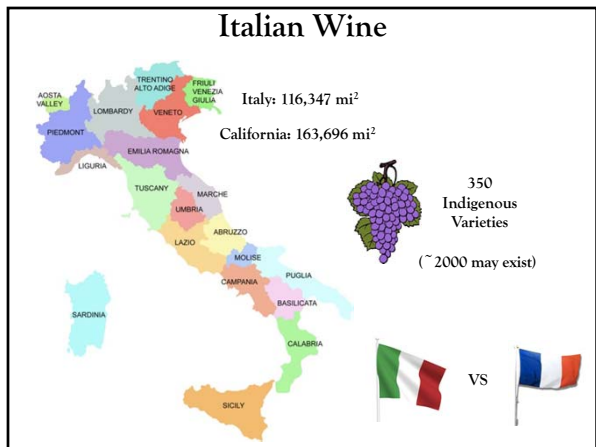




Learning Objectives

- Name and locate many well known Italian appellations.
- Describe the primary grapes and wine styles found in those Italian appellations
- Give examples of some Italian indigenous grapes and traditional Italian winemaking techniques



Italian Wine



Shares borders with four countries

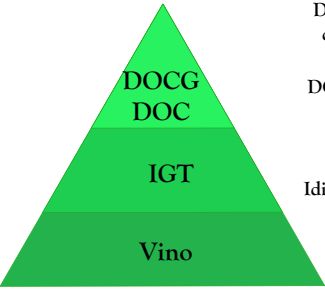
Coastlines on three seas

- Adriatic
- Tyrrhenian
- Ionian

Two important mountain ranges:

- Alps
- Appenines

Italian Wine Quality Levels



DOCG: Denominazione di Origine e Garantita

DOC: Denominazione di Origine

IGT: Indicazione Geografica Tipica

Vino

Italian Wine Styles



Sparkling



Light bodied White

Full bodied White

Aromatic White

Sweet White

Italian Wine Styles



Rosé

Light bodied red

Medium bodied red

Full bodied red

Sweet red

Road Trip for Italian Wine




Northern

Central

Southern

Northern Italian Wine



Valle d' Aosta

Piemonte

Liguria

Lombardia

Trentino-Alto Adige

Venezo

Emilia-Romagna

Friuli-Venezia Giulia

Northern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Veneto

Grape: Glera

- 94% grown in Veneto
- 5% grown in Friuli-Venezia-Giulia

Northern Italian Wine Grapes
Sparkling Wines

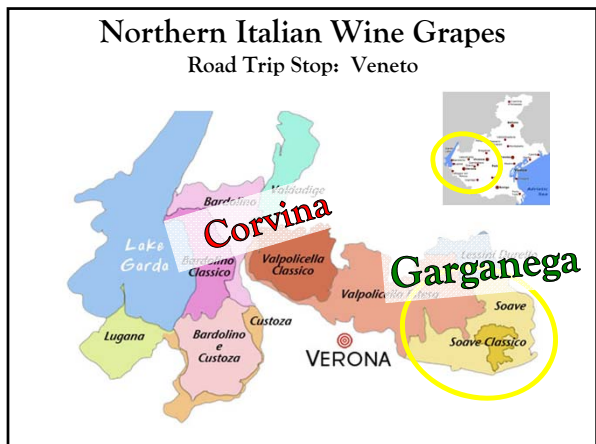
Traditional Method = Metodo Classico

Northern Italian Wine Grapes
Sparkling Wines

Tank Method or Charmat

Prosecco DOC (Veneto and Friuli-Venezia Giulia)


Conegliano Valdobbiadene Prosecco DOCG (Veneto)







Northern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Veneto



Soave Castle

Northern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Veneto



Valpolicella

Corvina

Photo by Giampiero Nadali – Vineyards near the town of Fumane

Northern Italian Wine Grapes
Valpolicella Styles

Amarone della Valpolicella Recioto della Valpolicella	DOCG "Passito" wines "Appassimento method"
Valpolicella Ripasso	DOC Re-fermentation "Ripasso method"
Valpolicella (Tart Cherry Flavor)	DOC - Traditional winemaking method

Northern Italian Red Wine Grapes

Corvina - Appassimento Process

Valpolicella is a blend

- Corvina
- Corvinone
- Rondinella
- Molinara



Northern Italian Red Wine Grapes

Corvina - Passito Wines

DRY



SWEET



Flavors:
Black Cherry, Fig
Chocolate,
Brown Sugar

Amarone della Valpolicella
DOCG

Recioto della Valpolicella
DOCG

Northern Italian Red Wine Grapes

Corvina - Ripasso Method

DRY



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Skins left after making Amarone or Recioto

Valpolicella Ripasso
DOC

Northern Italian Red Wine Grapes

Road Trip Stop: Veneto




Chiaretto = Rosé

Bardolino DOC

Northern Italian Wine Grapes

Road Trip Stop: Lombardia



Lombardia

Northern Italian Wine Grapes

Road Trip Stop: Lombardia



Metodo Classico

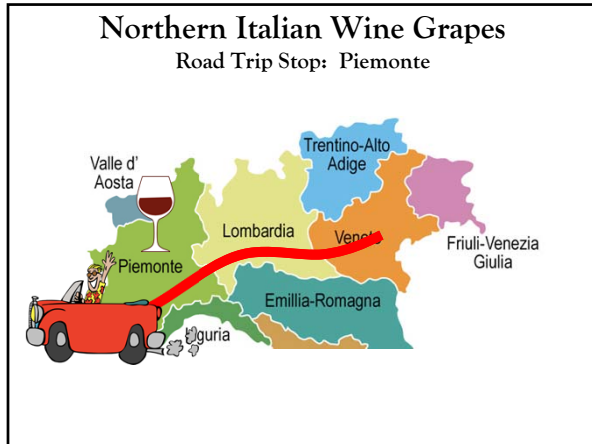
Chardonnay

Pinot Bianco

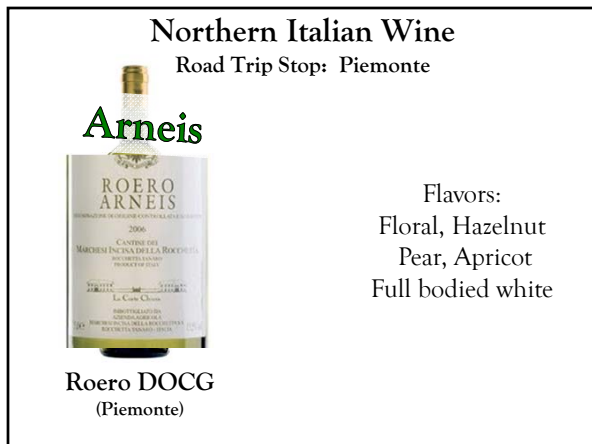
Pinot Nero

Franciacorta DOCG

Lombardy, Italy







Northern Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Piemonte

Moscato

Spumante: Fully Sparkling

Frizzante: Lightly Sparkling



Asti DOCG
(Piemonte)

Northern Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Piemonte

Dolcetto

Flavors:
Black Cherry
Licorice
Bitter Almond



Dolcetto di Diano d'Alba
DOCG

Dogliani DOCG

Northern Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Piemonte



Barolo

Barbaresco

Northern Italian Wine

Road Trip Stop: Piemonte



Nebbiolo

Flavors:
Tar
Roses

Barolo DOCG Barbaresco DOCG

Central Italian Wines



Liguria Toscana Marche
Umbria
Lazio Abruzzo Molise


Central Italian Wine

Road Trip Stop: Toscana



Lucca Pistoia Prato Montone
Pisa Livorno Firenze Arezzo Grosseto
Livorno Grosseto

Central Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Toscana



Grapes:

- Vernaccia
- Malvasia
- Cabernet Sauvignon
- Sangiovese

Central Italian Wine
Super Tuscans




- Bolgheri DOC
- Bolgheri Sassicaia DOC

Central Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Toscana



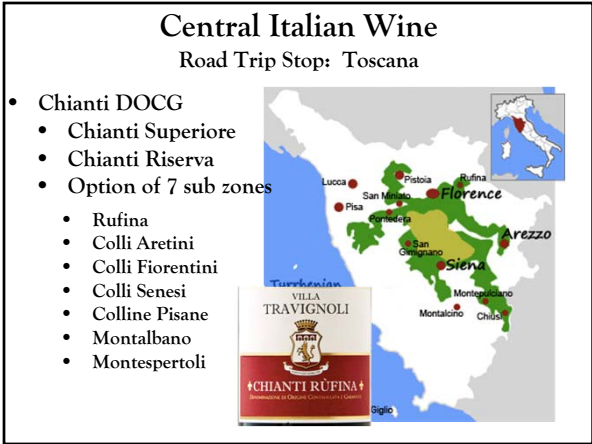

Citrus, Nutty, Crisp, Acidic

Riserva styles:
Full Bodied & Powerful
Heady Floral Bouquet

Vernaccia di San Gimignano DOCG
Tuscany, Italy







Central Italian Wine

Road Trip Stop: Toscana

- Chianti Classico DOCG
- Chianti Classico
- Chianti Classico Riserva
- Gran Selezione



Central Italian Wine

Road Trip Stop: Toscana

- Brunello di Montalcino DOCG and Rosso di Montalcino DOC (Brunello)



Central Italian Wine

Road Trip Stop: Toscana

- Vino Nobile di Montepulciano DOCG (Prugnolo Gentile)



Central Italian Wine

Road Trip Stop: Toscana



• Morellino di Scansano DOCG (Morellino)

Central Italian Wine

Road Trip Stop: Toscana



Malvasia and Trebbiano
Drying on straw mats

SWEET

Vin Santo aged in tightly sealed small barrels

Vin Santo del Chianti DOC

Central Italian Wines



Central Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Umbria



Orvieto
Umbria, Italy

Central Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Umbria



Grechetto
+
Trebbiano
(Procanico)
+ **OAWG**

≥ 60%

Flavors:
Dried Peach
White Flowers
Crisp Acid

Orvieto DOC
Umbria, Italy

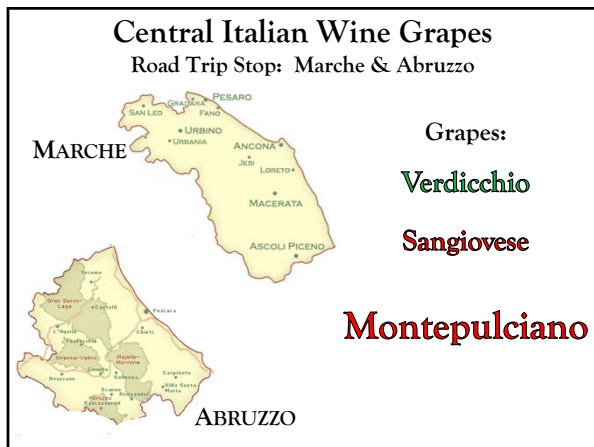
Central Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Umbria




- Flavors: Blackberry and Black Cherry, Spicy, Earthy
- Very big tannin
- Full bodied red wine

Montefalco Sagrantino DOCG
Montefalco, Umbria







Central Italian Wine Grapes

Road Trip Stop: Marche & Abruzzo

Montepulciano



Cònero DOCG
Marche, Italy



Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC
Abruzzo, Italy

- Much is low priced juicy wine
- Recently: Inky, black fruit, chocolaty wine needing 4 years or more of aging.
- Flavors: Red plum, Sour Cherry, Boysenberry, Oregano, Tar.

Central Italian Wine

Road Trip Stop: Abruzzo



Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo DOC



Rosato = Rosé
Cerasuolo = Cherry

Southern Italian Wine



Southern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Puglia



Grapes:
Trebbiano
Negroamaro
Primitivo

Southern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Puglia



Dry **Primitivo (Zinfandel)** **Sweet**

- Flavors: Black licorice, black raspberry, coffee, black pepper

PRIMITIVO DI MANDURIA
MESSAPO
PRIMITIVO DI MANDURIA
DENOMINAZIONE DI ORIGINE CONTROLLATA
DOLCE NATURALE

Primitivo di Manduria DOC
Primitivo di Manduria Dolce Naturale DOCG
Puglia, Italy

Southern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Puglia

Negroamaro

- Flavors: Dark berry, earth tones, cloves, cinnamon



Salice Salentino DOC
Puglia, Italy

SALICE SALENTINO
DENOMINAZIONE DI ORIGINE CONTROLLATA
RISERVA
CANTELE







Southern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Campania




Flavors: Aromatic Lemon, pears, almonds
Refreshingly crisp
Flourish at altitude of 1300 - 1600 ft

Greco di Tufo DOCG
Campania, Italy

Southern Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Campania



Aglianico


- Flavors: Raspberry, Plum, Dark Cherry, Tobacco, Coffee, Leather
- Intense color, big tannins
- Can age 20 years

Taurasi DOCG
Aglianico del Taburno DOCG
Campania, Italy

Southern Italian Wine



Southern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Sardegna



Map of Sardinia showing wine regions and grape varieties. The map is color-coded: green for Vermentino (Gallura, Sestu, Sardinia), red for Cannonau (Gallura, Sestu, Sardinia), and yellow for Cannonau (Sestu, Sardinia). Major cities like Sassari, Nuoro, Cagliari, and Carbonia are marked.

Grapes:

Vermentino

Cannonau

Southern Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Sardegna




- Flavors: Delicate white blossoms, peach, lemon peel, herbs
- Zingy acidity
- Lighter and heavier styles

Vermentino di Gallura DOCG
Vermentino di Sardegna DOC
Sardegna, Italy

Southern Italian Wine
Road Trip Stop: Sardegna



- Flavors: Dried Strawberry, Grilled Plum, Leather,
- Wild Herb
- Tobacco, Licorice,
- Chocolate
- Medium Tannin
- Medium Acid

Cannonau
AKA
Grenache

Cannonau di Sardegna DOC
Sardegna, Italy



Southern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Sicilia



Frappato
+
Nero d'Avola

- Flavors: Red berries, Cherry, plum, pomegranate
- Intense color

Cerasuolo di Vittoria DOCG
Sicily, Italy

Southern Italian Wine Grapes
Road Trip Stop: Sicilia



Carricante
Nerello Mascalese

Mt. Etna, Sicily, Italy

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