

## SCHIOPPETTINO DI PREPOTTO RESERVE

**Bottle size:** 750 ml

Appellation: Friuli Colli Orientali DOC - Schioppettino di Prepotto Subzone

Variety: Schioppettino (also known as Ribolla Nera or Pokalca)

Vineyard establishment: 2002-2003-2004

**Orientation:** south-east facing slopes

**Soil:** ponca – stratified Eocene marl and sandstone

Altitude: 250 - 350 metres a.s.l.

Vine training system: Single Guyot

**Vine density:** 5,000 plants per hectare

**Grape harvest:** hand-picked into small 12 kg crates, in October

Winemaking: maceration in controlled temperature cement vats for 15/20 days

followed by malolactic fermentation on the skins

Ageing: minimum 24 months in 2,600-litre truncated cone shaped vats and French and

Slavonian oak barrels, followed by at least other 24 months in the bottle before

release

Colour: ruby red

**Aroma:** recalls dried plums, cloves, nutmeg, black pepper with a balsamic overtone

**Gusto:** well balanced structure, elegant tannins and notes of red fruit (plum, cherry)

**Ageing potential:** 10/12 years and beyond

Food Pairing: wild game and poultry (woodcock, venison) and mature cheeses

Serving temperature: 18/20 °C