# ARGIOLAS



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Franco and Giuseppe Argiolas Winemaker: Mariano Murru Total acreage under vine: 600 Estate founded: 1938 Winery production: 120,000 Bottles Region: Sardegna Country: Italy

# Argiolas Serra Lori 2015

#### WINE DESCRIPTION

Argiolas is the foremost wine estate on the island of Sardinia producing archetypal wines from native varietals. The winery was founded in 1938 by Antonio Argiolas and was the first on the island to pursue quality over quantity. Today, the Argiolas family is recognized as Sardinia's leading producer of wine.

Sardinia is the second-largest island in the Mediterranean and lies roughly 190 miles west of Italy's mainland. The vineyards of Argiolas are located in Serdiana in the Trexenta hills just north of the capital of Cagliari. Argiolas farms 600 acres of native Sardinian grapes including Nuragus, Monica, and Cannonau.

Serra Lori is a dry rosato blended from Cannonau, Monica, Carignano, and Bovale Sardo, four red grape varietals that typify Sardinian viticulture. The grapes spend 3 to 4 hours macerating on their skins resulting in a lively pink color. Serra Lori is vinified entirely in stainless-steel tanks.

#### TASTING NOTES

This rosato is composed of four Sardinian grapes that are ideally suited to rosé styles. Cannonau (Garnacha) and Monica lend strawberry fruitiness, while Carignano and Bovale Sardo bring freshness and aroma. Serra Lori is juicy, vibrant, and full of red-berry flavor, offering refreshment and the perfect accompaniment to the summer table.

#### FOOD PAIRING

Serra Lori can easily be paired with all kinds of outdoor cooking. The wine's acidity works well with salads dressed with vinaigrette or vegetables drizzled with olive oil. Branzino, chicken, or pork cooked over a charcoal fire pair nicely and the medium weight of this wine can even stand up to burgers or lamb.

### VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Production area/appellation: Vineyard name: Soil composition: Training method: Elevation: Vines/acre: Yield/acre: Exposure: Year vineyard planted: Harvest time: First vintage of this wine: Bottles produced of this wine: Isola dei Nuraghi IGT The Guamaggiore and S'elegas vineyards Calcareous, Silt, and Clay-Loam Guyot 750 feet 2,200 2.4-3.2 tons Southeastern / Southwestern 1980-1990 September 1991 120,000

## WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: Fermentation container: Length of alcoholic fermentation: Fermentation temperature: Length of maceration: Type of aging container: Length of aging before bottling: Length of bottle aging: 50% Cannonau, 25% Monica, 20% Carignano, 5% Bovale Stainless steel tanks 18 days 61-63 °F 6 hours days Stainless steel tanks 3-4 months 1 month

