



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Francesco, Paolo,
Raffaele and Teresa Librandi
Winemaker: Donato Lanati
Total acreage under vine: 1550
Estate founded: 1952
Winery production: 90,000 Bottles
Region: Calabria
Country: Italy

Librandi Gravello 2015

WINE DESCRIPTION

This is a "Super Calabrian" wine made from the indigenous Gaglioppo and international Cabernet Sauvignon grapes. Gravello is a fantasy name, but "grave" in Italian means "serious" and "important," which is a reference to the complexity and sophistication of this wine. The suffix of "-ello" makes this meaning a bit lighter, as the wine is accessible and drinking beautifully right now.

TASTING NOTES

Deep ruby-red in color, Gravello is intensely aromatic with notes of blackberry, ripe cherry, coffee, and cassis. On the palate, it is rich with velvety tannins and a persistent finish.

FOOD PAIRING

Pair this wine with grilled game, Mornay sauces, Chateaubriand, and duxelles-stuffed filet mignon.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Production area/appellation: Val di Neto IGT

Vineyard name: Strongoli and Rosaneti Vineyards

Vineyard size: 5

Soil composition: Calcareous Clay-Loam Training method: Spur-pruned Cordon

Elevation: 0-330 feet
Vines/acre: 2,000
Yield/acre: 2.6 tons
Exposure: Various
Harvest time: October
First vintage of this wine: 1988
Bottles produced of this wine: 90,000

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 60% Gaglioppo, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon

Fermentation container: Stainless steel tanks

Length of alcoholic fermentation: 10 days
Fermentation temperature: 79-86 °F
Maceration technique: Pumpovers
Length of maceration: 12-15 days
Malolactic fermentation: Yes
Type of aging container: Barriques
Size of aging container: 225 L

Age of aging container:

Type of oak:

Length of aging before bottling:

Length of bottle aging:

New-One year

French

8 months

6 months

