

WINE INFO

PILLANGO 2006 (PI)

**WINE REGION**

Villány, southwest of Hungary

**EXPOSURE**

**Pillango Vineyard:** Mostly a plateau which runs into a western-facing slope. The oldest Merlot plantations are found here. Pillango (in English: butterfly) slope was named after its butterfly shape.

**SOIL**

Limestone bedrock, loess and clay topsoil.

**VINES**

Planted in 1995

Density of plantation: 3m x 1m

**VINTAGE**

A splendid, elegant, very balanced vintage, basically for all varieties. After late spring and a versatile summer, the whole autumn turned warm and sunny and this has rounded up the whole vintage nicely.

**HARVEST**

12<sup>th</sup> October

By hand in 15 kg crates.

**YIELD:** 27 hl/Ha



**VINIFICATION-MATURATION**

Pillango vineyard has been providing beautiful merlot grape since 1995. The 2006 vintage allowed the grapes to become fully ripe and we decided to bottle them separate as Pillango selection. The maceration lasted for 25-30 days on the skin. The malolactic fermentation and maturation took place in the barrels of 225 l, made out of Hungarian oak from Zemplen and Mecsek wood. Age: 80% new, 20% 2 years old.

During 18 months aging we selected only the most beautiful barrels and these were bottled separate as Pillango selection.

**BOTTLED** in June 2008

**BASIC ANALYSIS**

Alcohol: 15,0 %

Total acidity: 5,9g/l

Residual sugar: 2,8 g/l

Glycerol: 11,4 g/l

**PACKAGING** Cartons of 12 • 600 bottles / pallet



- 🍷 Harvested from the oldest merlot plantations of Pillango vineyard
- 🍷 Pillango / butterfly / symbolises metamorphosis
- 🍷 The strong and definite face of Pillango slope has a strong effect on the wines' character
- 🍷 Full-bodied with intense and lively character
- 🍷 Rich in bouquet and aroma
- 🍷 Its fruitiness is defined by ripe sour cherry, cranberry, plum and blackberry
- 🍷 The fruity aromas are complemented with cocoa beans and mint notes
- 🍷 Has a long lasting finish
- 🍷 A must-have in your wine collection

**WINEMAKER-IN-CHIEF:** István Ipacs Szabó

**TASTING NOTES**

This single vineyard selection is made from grapes of the oldest merlot plantation of Pillango slope, presenting the most beautiful values of the area. The variety is usually referred to as „she” in our winery, but in contrast with, Pillango shows its another face, like strong and definite.

Its intensive and lively character is provided by fruity aromas (ripe sour cherry, cranberry, plum and blackberry) complemented with cocoa beans and mint notes. In has a long-lasting finish with spicy oak-derived notes.

**CONSUME AT** 17-18 °C

**MEAL SUGGESTION**

Nice match with game dishes with forest fruit garnish. It is also recommended with chocolate desserts.

**STORAGE**

Capable for long cellaring. A must-have in your wine collection!

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*The butterfly is a miracle of nature: beauty, metamorphosis, and the symbol of soul.*