

# VILLA CALCINAIA

## VIN SANTO

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**Wine Maker:** Sebastiano Capponi

**Designation:** Vin Santo del Chianti Classico

**Location:** Greve-in-Chianti, Tuscany

**Vineyards:** Estate vineyards of Villa Calcinaia

**Average Age of Vines:** 40 years

**Exposure:** Varied, primarily East / South East, one old vineyard facing west

**Elevation:** 850 ft.

**Soil:** Medium-pack with prevalence of clay and sand composition on the lower slopes and silt on the higher grounds

**Varietals:** Trebbiano, Malvasia and Canaiolo

**Sub Varietals:** Estate collection

**Rootstock:** 420/A

**Training System:** Guyot, High Cordon trained at 5.9 ft.

**Vine Density:** 1,600 – 2,400 / acre

**Harvest Method:** Hand picked

**Harvest Date:** Mid September – late October

**Yield:** 6,680 lbs. / acre

**Vinification:** The grapes are dried naturally in an open air environment until March.

When sugar levels reach 34 brix (400 grams), they are pressed in whole clusters.

The must is then fermented and stored in small oak barrels called *caratelli*. These barrels are exposed to extreme temperatures for 7-8 years to encourage further sugar degradation, evaporation and stabilization of the wine.

**Additional Bottle Aging:** 6 months

**Cases Produced:** 75

**Cellar Potential:** 50 years

**Formats:** 375 ml

**UPC:** 9 19083 00003 2

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Villa Calcinaia is situated in the center of Chianti Classico near the town of Greve-in-Chianti. This historic estate has been home to the Counts Capponi since 1524, and is maintained by Sebastiano Capponi and his brother Niccolo. Calcinaia is the heart of the Capponi family and each generation gives new life to the fields, woods, vineyards and cellars. These wines express the family's love for their land; with every vintage they share the hopes, worries, pride and care that come with making honest wines. Organic farming is the standard at Villa Calcinaia where 75 acres of vineyard are planted with Sangiovese, Merlot, Canaiolo, Grechetto, Vernaccia, Trebbiano, and Malvasia. Through every vintage, the wines are crafted with food in mind. They are balanced, elegant, perfumed, and savory yet refreshing with restrained vigor and intensity that ensures longevity. The Villa Calcinaia philosophy has always been: "Love for the land, respect for tradition, and the rightful pride in bearing the name of Capponi."

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