Arancia

Orange Wine ----- **11% ABV** Vintage **2021**

GRAPE	Delaware
REGION	Tsukihoshi Orchard, Kaminoyama, Yamagata

WINEMAKERS: Hirotaka Meguro

ABOUT THE WINE:

BOTTLES PRODUCED: 1,304

— This is a distinctive amber wine of Delaware from the Tsukihoshi Orchard in Yamagata, a partner farmer of Fattoria AL FIORE. It showcases a unique expression of the potential for Delaware to produce extracted and well-styled wines of a different style. The idea is to take the unique profile of an adopted Japanese grape of popularity and tailor it to producing an elegant wine that shows its place.

The Delaware was fermented in amphora on the skins for 130 days, then pressed off and returned to amphora for a further 3 months. It spent a further 6 months in old oak barrels, before bottling.

This medium-bodied wine is a deep amber color with a bright orange backing, vibrant in the glass. Ginger, dried fruit, and carmelized sugar come through first, with the telltale fresh melon consistent to Delaware underpinning the more oxidative characteristics. The flavor profile is complex and broad, offering notes of stone and citrus fruit, black tea, candied fruits, and roast pumpkin, with a lengthy and salty finish. Though limited in production, we are thankful that Fattoria AL FIORE has given us the opportunity to feature this wine in California. It is a totally unique wine and fascinating example for those interested in vinification exploring new depths.



PRODUCER

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