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## Terlano Wines crowned with internationals laurels.

**Terlano wines are characterized by their full-bodied flavor, complexity, and longevity. Qualities which even international wine critics like Robert Parker and James Suckling have again acknowledged.**

This year's awards speak for themselves: The U.S. magazine Wine Spectator awarded the Terlano Sauvignon Quarz 2006 the highest number of points of any contestant in this international wine degustation series— 94 out of a possible 100 points. The Gewürztraminer Lunare 2006 and the Terlaner Nova Domus Riserva 2005 likewise earned top marks. An opinion by all means shared by the American wine critic Robert Parker (Wine Advocate): Besides Quarz, Lunare, and Nova Domus, he also awarded the Lagrein Riserva Porphyry the overall assessment of "outstanding." Further proof of the fact that the typical regional wines produced by the Terlano winery have an undeniable appeal to palates the world over.

## First fruits of cooperation.



Since the vineyards of Terlano and Andriano were joined together in September of 2008, everyone has been waiting anxiously for the results of this promising alliance. The verdict is now in: The first Andriano vintage bearing the signature of the Terlano cellar master presents itself with a total of 17 variegated wines in two quality lines and a contemporary outfit.

This new public persona can look back on a long history, while still being quite future-oriented – completely in keeping with the new motto “Tradition in Motion. Since 1893.” The imaginative names given to the wines likewise achieve the ideal balance between tradition and innovation. The Chardonnay Somereto, for example, which embodies the summer of Andriano, or the Merlot Gant with its unmistakable spectrum of aromas expanding under the protection of the sublime Gantkofel – they all pay due respect to the winery’s new guiding idea: carrying historically evolved traditions forth into the present and preserving them for the future.

## The 2008 wine year: another superb harvest.

The year 2008 was a harvest year characterized by capricious weather conditions, representing an appreciable challenge to the wine-makers of Terlano. A damp and cool spring followed a mild and dry winter – the budding of the grapes was correspondingly late and hesitant. There was considerable precipitation in May and June, too, thus extending the period of blossoming. But ultimately, this delay had a beneficial effect upon the later start of the harvest and lower-weight grapes.

In late-June, the weather revealed just how unpredictable it could be: Heavy hail storms devastated part of the Terlano area. It was only thanks to the rapid response and total commitment of the grape growers that more-serious consequences could be averted.

Steady and uncompromising labor in the vineyards was ultimately rewarded by Mother Nature. The grapes of Terlano were able to bask in the warming rays of a classic Indian Summer, and the mild weather facilitated harvesting.

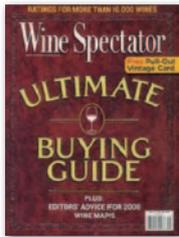
This resulted in wines bearing the earmarks of the tumultuous harvest year: The white wines display a freshness and a fine acidity which will accordingly require a little more time to fully develop. Together with the fruity, elegant, and smooth red wines, they promise an extraordinarily wide range of aromas and an exciting tasting experience.

## James Suckling

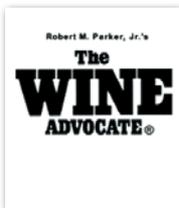
**„One of the great Sauvignons of the world“**

*James Suckling,  
commenting on the 2006 Terlaner Sauvignon Quarz.*





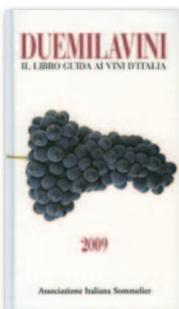
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Lagrein Porphyris. '05 91 Pkt.	★★★★
Terlaner Chardonnay '95	★★★★
Terlaner Chardonnay Kreuth '06 90 Pkt.	★★★★
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○ Terlaner Pinot Bianco Vorberg Ris. '05	🍷🍷🍷
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## Wine Spectator 2009

"Full-bodied, with fresh tannins and a long, long finish" – as a consequence of which the rich '06 Terlaner Sauvignon Quarz received the highest number of points awarded in this international degustation series: 94 out of a possible 100 points. But also the '06 Gewürztraminer Lunare und '05 Terlaner Nova Domus Riserva display elegant perfume and rich aromas reminiscent of ripe fruits and spicy herbs.

## The Wine Advocate

The opulent '06 Sauvignon Quarz, the '06 Gewürztraminer Lunare, and '05 Lagrein Porphyris. Riserva were awarded 93 points and received the compliment "remarkable." And right behind them was the rich and aromatic Terlaner Nova Domus Riserva '05.

## I Vini di Veronelli 2009

The wine guide "I Vini di Veronelli" was likewise generous with praise, awarding three stars for the excellent Terlaner wines, which display the highest level of quality.

## Duemilavini 2009

"The Terlaner Winery has been long known for its Pinot Blancs, which are among the finest in South Tyrol. This year, too, they have come out with a spectacular 1996 Pinot Blanc – it is both refined and elegant – a truly unique wine easily capable this year of overshadowing even such splendid wines as the '06 Gewürztraminer Lunare, the delicate '05 Terlaner Nova Domus Riserva, the distinctive '06 Sauvignon Quarz, or the full-bodied '05 Lagrein Porphyris. Riserva."

## Le Guide de L'Espresso 2009

The Terlaner Winery has again received the "Tre Stelle" of the wine guide Vini d'Italia 2009 dell'Espresso. This important award is given to those wineries which have maintained a high commitment to quality for many years: "This year, too, it's quite likely the best brand of the region with regards to intensity and expression."

## Gambero Rosso 2009

"An outstanding 'Tre Bicchieri' were again awarded to the great classic of the Terlaner Winery. The '05 Pinot Bianco Vorberg Riserva – a wine which, in the meantime, has come to be recognized as the symbol for the entire white wine production of South Tyrol. The '04 Cabernet Siemegg Riserva is a splendid example for everyone: This full-bodied wine rich in tannins displays a distinctive flavor and elegance."

## „Born of fire...“

... is the red porphyry rock, between which the Terlano vineyards nestle on their sunny terraces.

The fire and the power of the volcanic soil are reflected in the strength and complexity of the wines. The unusually high mineral content gives the Terlano wines their special mineral aroma and is one of the factors in their remarkable longevity. We are familiar enough with the processes involved. And yet they remain enigmatic and truly wonderful.

*(Terlan Wein Vini Wine, p. 74/75)*

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