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## ZACCAGNINI, VERDICCHIO DI CASTELLI DI JESI CLASSICO SUPERIORE, SALMÀGINA, MARCHE, ITALY, 2018



### Producer Profile

On the opposite coast to Tuscany lies the less well known, but no less beautiful, region of Marche. This is where you will find the family run Zaccagnini winery, established by two brothers.

Playing to their strengths, they have focused on the local grape Verdicchio, and the results are spectacular. Their range of three Verdicchios are as distinctive and individual as you could wish for, with each wine having its own personality and textural signature. All are benchmark examples of this lesser known region on the East coast. Whilst they have been working organically for a few years, from the 2020 vintage, the wines are being certified as organic.

### Viticulture

The Salmàgina vineyards extend for 42 hectares in the municipality of Staffolo, in Ancona, at around 500 metres above the sea level. The climate and the soils, (rich of saline) combined with the work of the Zaccagnini family, allowed to obtain high quality and distinctive wines. 25ha are classified as Verdicchio Doc "Classico", whilst 5ha is classified as IGT for experimental grapes such as Pinot Bianco, Pinot Nero, Chardonnay and Cabernet. They also farm around 17ha of Olive groves most of which is organically cultivated.

### Winemaking

Manual harvest from the last week in September with several tries. Soft pressing of whole grapes. 3 to 4 week low temperature fermentation. Refined on the lees.

### Tasting Note

Similar to the Cima Signoria but more elegant. The light over-ripening of the grapes and the lees contact give 'Salmagina' its fine structure, elegance and ageing potential. A single-vineyard Verdicchio that is the perfect symbiosis of tradition and innovation. Intense straw yellow with greenish hues. Elegant acacia and field flower aromas. Gentle, soft and intense on the palate with a long finish.

### Food Matching

Particularly good with shellfish (mussels, oyster, date shells) fish, seafood, lobster, seafood risotto and with meats (chicken/rabbit)

### Technical Details

**Varieties:**

Verdicchio 100%

ABV: 14.5%

Closure: Natural cork

Colour: White

Style: Still wine

Case Size: 6 x 75cl

### Oak Treatment

No oak treatment