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**B. NARDINI**  
DISTILLERIA A VAPORE

BASSANO DEL GRAPPA - ITALIA



**PRODUCER PROFILE**

Owned by: The Nardini family  
Year founded: 1779  
Region: Veneto  
Country: Italy

**Mistra NV**

**DISTILLERY DESCRIPTION**

Bortolo Nardini, an ingenious and enterprising man, was an expert in the art of distillation and possessed a unique knowledge of its process, when he descended to Bassano from his native Trentino region, in order to produce and commercialize his "Grappa." In 1779, he founded a distillery in Bassano. This location was a strategic one for its ample water supply and the ease of reaching principal markets by boat. Bortolo Nardini revolutionized Italian distillation, quickly establishing himself as the leading producer of Grappa in Italy. Subsequently, as the distillery was handed down from father to son, each generation made a progressive contribution toward refining the distillation process, allowing the firm to achieve the prestige of which Bortolo Nardini only dreamt.

Today, Nardini owns two distilleries in the Veneto Region of Italy: one in Bassano del Grappa, in the Vicenza Province and the other in Monastier, in the Treviso Province. Combined, these distill 40,000 metric tons of DOC grape pomace which is wisely blended and carefully selected from the best wineries in the Alpine foothills of the Veneto and Friuli-Venezia Giulia. Today Nardini, with its two distilleries and state-of-the-art manufacturing system, makes grappas and grappa-based liqueurs that that evoke the rich traditions of this region.

**SPIRIT DESCRIPTION**

Nardini has been producing Mistra since the 1800's and it has now been approved for sale in the US. "Mistra has been sold in Italy for over a century, and it's about time we shared our secret with the world," says Antonio Guarda Nardini, Director of International Markets for the bicentenary family firm. Mistra is made from the prized star anise, a plant with many medicinal and mystic uses and a history that stretches back to ancient times.

**TASTING NOTES**

The bouquet is intense and recalls typical anise flavors of licorice. The taste is quite sweet but with a dry note in the aftertaste due to the high alcoholic content.

**TECHNICAL DATA**

ABV: 47 %  
Mash Bill/Composition: Grain neutral spirits with natural anise flavor.

**PRODUCTION PROCESS**

Sizes Available: 1L