# 17 (B) 79 BLONARDINI DISTILLERIA A VAPORE

BASSANO DEL GRAPPA - ITALIA



# PRODUCER PROFILE

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

# Tagliatella 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

Tagliatella, meaning "cut", is a blend of grappa, cherry juice, orange and other natural, aromatic components of the different liquori made at Nardini. It was created almost by accident a time when the distillery sold products on tap as well as in the bottle: As various tap handles were used, they would become loose and often drip. Nardini decided to barrel age and bottle these tap drippings, which over the years has developed a huge fan base.

# TASTING NOTES

Tagliatella is fruity with predominant aromas of cherry, citrus and summer fruits which follow through on the palate, followed by a bittersweet finish.

# TECHNICAL DATA

ABV: 35 %

Mash Bill/Composition: Grape pomace brandy, cherry juice and

natural aromas.

# PRODUCTION PROCESS

Distillation:

The grape pomace is collected within 24 hours of the winemaking process and it gets stored and sealed in underground vats during the period of time between September and October. The distillation process starts in October and lasts 24 hours a dayuntil May. This basic grappa used for the Tagliatella version is made in a discontinuous, vacuumpacked steam still. The grappa is thereafter transferred to the post-modern plant in Bassano del Grappa where it is brought to its final stage (alcoholic reduction to 35% and cold filtration) and bottled.

Sizes Available: 375ml, 1L

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