

# CANTINA COLLI EUGANEI

## VENETO, ITALY



It has taken various geological periods for our Euganean Hills to become gentle hills capable of protecting vines and exposing them to the sun in a favourable way. It has also taken hundreds of years of human passion to develop a deep and genuine winemaking culture in these lands. Cantina Colli Euganei, the cooperative, was founded in 1949 and produced its first wine in 1951.

Situated in the heart of the Veneto region, in the middle of an area that has been dedicated to vine and olive tree growing since ancient times, it is acknowledged by the regulations of 2010 as a DOC and DOCG area. Grapes are grown at wineries in the municipalities of Vo', Rovolon, Torreglia, Galzignano Terme, Lozzo Atestino, Cinto Euganeo, Arquà Petrarca, Este and Baone, comprising 700 hectares of rows of vines and providing an opportunity to best enhance the character of various wines: from fragrant white wines sweetened by the sun to more intense velvety red wines.

### THE VENETO

Veneto is a wine region in north-eastern Italy, one of a group of three highly productive Italian regions known collectively as the *Venezie* (after the ancient Venetian Republic) and the biggest DOC producer of the three. Although the Venezie collectively produce more red wine than white, the Veneto region produces more whites under DOC and is home to the famous Soave wines.

The region is protected from the harsh northern European climate by the Alps, the foothills of which form the Veneto's northern extremes. These cooler climates are well-suited to white varieties while the warmer Adriatic coastal plains, river valleys, and Garda Lake zone are where DOC reds are produced.

In the Veneto, two different wine areas are clearly distinguishable: an Eastern part close to the Venice Lagoon between the hills of Treviso, the plain of Piave river and Adriatic coast, where Prosecco is typically produced; and the Western part, close to Garda Lake and the city of Verona, famous for the wines based on the varieties Corvina, Rondinella, Garganega and Trebbiano.

Veneto is the 8th largest region of Italy in land mass. It has over 90,000 hectares of vineyards, of which 35,400 being acclaimed DOC. Annual production totals 8,500,000 hectolitres, 1,700,000 or 21% of which is DOC, making it the biggest DOC producer in Italy.



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