



**MONTCALM**  
WINE IMPORTERS, LTD



WINERY	Nativ
WINE	Taurasi DOCG
REGION	Campania
VARIETAL	100% Aglianico
LOCATION OF VINEYARDS	Taurasi
ALTITUDE	450 meters above sea level
TYPE OF PLANTING	Traditional
SOIL	Hillside, of volcanic origin rich in ash and minerals
TYPE OF CULTIVATION	Guyot
VINIFICATION	Pre-fermentation maceration at low temperature, maceration on the skins for approximately 20 days. Fermentation with natural yeasts. Malolactic fermentation is carried out in barrique.
AGING	3 months in steel and 24 months in French oak barriques
ALCOHOL CONTENT	13.5%
TOTAL PRODUCTION	15,000 bottles
OENOLOGIST	Mario Ercolino
NOTES	Aglianico from Campania is sometimes called 'the Barolo of the South, not because it tastes like Barolo but because it is ageworthy and regal like Barolo. Brought to the region by the Greeks as far back as 800 BC (the name comes from the Greek <i>Ellenico</i> ), Aglianico thrives on the volcanic soils and altitudes of Irpinia and the Taurasi DOCG zone.

### TASTING NOTES

Taurasi is a bold, yet elegant red wine with intense ruby color and garnet reflections. It opens with a complex bouquet with hints of cherry, fruits of the forest, spicy scents of violet and tobacco and a suggestion of minerals. Elegant, smooth, velvety and intense it displays characteristic hints of plums, black cherries, black pepper and tar. It is full bodied and austere on the palate yet with balanced tannins and acidity. It is an excellent accompaniment for roasted or grilled red meat, game, spicy dishes, and mature cheeses. It will continue to age and develop for more than a decade.

### ABOUT THE WINERY

Nativ was founded in 2008 by Mario Ercolino, renowned winemaker for some of the top estates in Campania and Italy, and his wife Roberta Pirone. The brand name 'Nativ' and their wines aim at the best possible representation of the local wines and varieties grown on approx. 15 hectare of estate-owned vineyards located in Irpinia, near Paternopoli and Taurasi, an area famous for fertile soils of volcanic origin, rich in minerals, calcium carbonate and ash, the latter caused by the volcanic eruption of Mount Vesuvius, which struck Pompeii in 79 AD. These constituents are concentrated in the grapes, resulting in features of uniqueness and distinctiveness in the wines.

The line includes all of the traditional wines from the region and two beautiful cru bottlings that received near-perfect scores from renowned Italian critic Luca Maroni. A fantastic new addition to the growing Montcalm portfolio.

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