

# **ARZIO 2006**

### VINTAGE

June and July were dry and warm, with the resultthat the grapes were small and the crop was small too. August was cold and rainy, but September and October were sunny. The vintage is fruity with a well-balanced structure.

### VINIFICATION

Spontaneous fermentation in the wooden fermentation vat; three-week mash maceration; placed into the new wooden barrels in early-November; spontaneous malolactic fermentation; 15 months in small barrels with two rackings; bottled in May of 2008, with a light filtration.

### CONDITIONS DURING THE HARVEST

Splendid autumnal weather allowed the harvesting to be timed to coincide with optimal ripeness. As a result, the grapes were healthy and mature, with a distinctive aroma.

### LOCATION / SOIL

Arzenhof, hill between 300 and 400 meters above sea-level.

Talus cone sloping to the southeast, with calcareous gravel, porphyry, and quartz sand (mineral components) and sufficient loam (body). Mediterranean microclimate.

## COMMENTS BY OUR OENOLOGIST

The beautiful autumn weather and the resulting physiological maturity had a very positive effect on the 2006 Arzio. This vintage is marked by the finesse of its fruit and its elegant tannin structure.

COMPOSITION: 50% Merlot

25% Cabernet Sauvignon

25% Cabernet Franc

YIELD: 35 hl/ha
ALCOHOL: 13.00 %
ACID: 5.3 g/l

