

## Grandama Arte della Luce Red 2012

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**Taster:** Roberto Giuliani

**Rating:** @@@@

**Tasting Date:** 07/2016

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**Type:** IGT Red

**Variety:** cabernet sauvignon, croatina

**Alcohol:** 16%

**Producer.:** SACRAFAMILIA - owned by Anna Mercandelli and Domenico Capeto

**Bottle:** 750 ml

**Retail price:** over 50 euro

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This is the first wine that was produced by the company, made of cabernet and croatina, its name is dedicated to Mary, mother of Jesus, but it has also inspired Shumei's President Hiroko Koyama since it evokes the maternal figure of Mrs. Mihoko Koyama, founder of this not-for-profit association. Here as well the ageing was carried out exclusively in fiberglass tanks, without any filtering, so it is possible that you will see some sediment. It is the first wine that led the way to an expressive language that can be found in all wines, it is the grapes that talk, and the earth in which it matured, the union of the two varieties transfer such sensations into the wine glass that remind us of a plum preserved in alcohol, but soon our attention focuses on the essence of humus, incense, aromatic dried herbs, citrus, tamarind. It is truly a surprise to the palate, it delivers the same sensations perfectly, in a perfect mixture, where the alcohol, whilst strong, seems to be a necessary element to elevate all of the aromatic components; it stretches, it elongates itself, it transfers energy, speaks a unique language, as pristine as it is moving, you are transfixed in front of your wine glass in absolute contemplation. It's strange, even though it is a wine of extremes, from vineyard to wine cellar, it seems instead to be absolutely simple, direct, strong and yet delicate. We are really beyond the scale rating, and the five snails are reduced to being mere assessment tools, which cannot shed light onto the true essence of this wine, just try it and that's that.