

## DISSEGNA CABERNET FRANC 2021



**VARIETAL:** 100% Cabernet Franc

**FARMING PRACTICES:** Certified Organic

**TASTING NOTES:** It strikes the eye for its intense ruby red colour with a tint of purple, its bouquet a distinct characteristic and persistent herbaceous note. A full-bodied, generous, well structured, nearly “aristocratic” wine. As it ages, the herbaceous note attenuates and its taste becomes elegant, harmonious.

3<sup>rd</sup> generation vigneron Francesco Dissegna runs his family estate. He is proud to continue and forward the work and commitment made by his father and grandfather. The family farm was founded in 1925 by grandfather Antonio and Francesco’s father Giovanni took over management of the Estate in the 1950’s.

From his father, Francesco learned the importance of respecting nature and following its rhythms: “He taught me that the vine is like a mother and every wine is its creation, with a well-defined personality that reflects the originality of the territory.” In accordance with this inherited regard for nature, Francesco converted his farming to organic practices in 1998, a decision he refers to as “a choice of life and work.”

The Dissegna family vines are planted in calcareous clay soils and enjoy a climate influenced by the nearby Adriatic Sea. In the vineyards, no herbicides or pesticides are used. The use of green manure and plant-based products maintains and enriches the health of the soil, leading to vines that are more resilient in the face of disease or drought. In the cellar, vinification takes place with native yeasts.

It is Francesco’s hope that his young daughter, Maddalena, will be the next in line to shepherd the family farm. Today, she follows him through the vineyard, taking joy in the multitude of insects that call the ecosystem home. Her favorite are the ladybugs. This simple pleasure makes the work worthwhile for Francesco: “It is a demanding and tiring job, a daily challenge, but I am strongly convinced of my choices because they give me great satisfaction and make me proud in the eyes of my daughter and her ladybugs.”

