

Nestled in the heart of Chianti Classico, Vallepicciola is a winery that masterfully blends architectural precision and design with respect for the surrounding landscape.

Designed by Architect Margherita Gozzi the thoughtful design is harmoniously integrated into a natural basin between the Comunale 16 and Provinciale 9 roads, seamlessly merging with the environment.

Located in **Castelnuovo Berardenga** (SI), Vallepicciola can rightly boast of its significant dimensions comprising of some 275 hectares of which 107 hectares are planted with vines but also in its architectural footprint an impressive **6,000-square-meter facility spans three levels**, two of which are discreetly set below ground level. **The project emphasizes a deep respect for the territory and coherence with the landscape**, ensuring a sustainable and enduring structure. Local and experienced craftsmen and suppliers contributed to this vision, with materials carefully chosen for both functionality and aesthetic appeal (*«sono stati selezionati e hanno preso parte ai lavori imprese e fornitori, locali e non, con comprovata esperienza nell'ambito delle cantine»*, says Margherita Gozzi).

Stone, reclaimed from vineyard excavation, adorns the exterior, while **wood, iron, and steel** define the welcoming and operational areas. The use of **terracotta** and **clinker** reflects local tradition and durability. **Green roofs enhance the natural continuity of the surroundings**, supporting the winery's commitment to sustainability. With a biomass system for heating, photovoltaic panels for electricity, and CO2 recovery, Vallepicciola operates with zero impact. Additionally, water recycling systems purify and reuse water for irrigation.

Inside, **spaces are designed for hospitality, tastings, and meetings, featuring a modern, inviting style**. The winery's partially underground design categorizes it as organic architecture, offering a grand yet subtle presence in the landscape. The vines, untouched and vibrant, enhance the winery's unique atmosphere, creating a powerful connection with nature.

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