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## Castello di Argiano

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## **VINTAGE REPORT 2009**

The winter 2008/2009 was particularly wet and very cold. The peak of the nearby mountain, Monte Amiata, remained covered with snow from November to May; an almost historic event as the snow usually remains for two to three months, as a consequence of this all the natural springs were abundantly filled.

In the spring the rain was alternated with good sunny periods until the end of June when the hotter July sun took over with light breezes and temperatures around 30 degrees, facilitating the growth of perfect, healthy bunches of grapes.

The good weather continued through August reaching 40 degrees in the second half of the month.

Finally a dry September followed and the temperature dropped to about 25/27 degrees, to the relief of the vines, which managed to reach a gentle Polyphènolic maturity with good acidity and PH.

Perfumes, colours and structure of the must herald another great vintage.

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