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### **2014 Passopisciaro Passobianco**

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This wine went by the name Guardiola until the 2013 vintage but has since changed names. The 2014 Passobianco is a pure expression of Chardonnay that ages in large oak casks for four months and is later moved to cement vats for an additional eight months. This wine opens to a pretty, luminous appearance and it shows impressive aromatic intensity with whiffs of stone fruit, pear, toasted almond and volcanic sulfur smoke. This white should evolve nicely over the next five years or more.

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**95+**

### **2014 Passopisciaro Franchetti**

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This is a spectacular wine that represents a unique blend of 70% Petit Verdot and 30% Cesanese d'Affile. Andrea Franchetti's namesake 2014 Franchetti is a darkly saturated and generously exuberant wine. The wine's appearance is marked by an inky dark, almost impenetrable appearance. The bouquet is overtly opulent and rich with bold fruit tones followed by spice, leather and crushed granite stone. This is a very special wine that is full of personality and generosity. Only 3,000 bottles were produced.

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