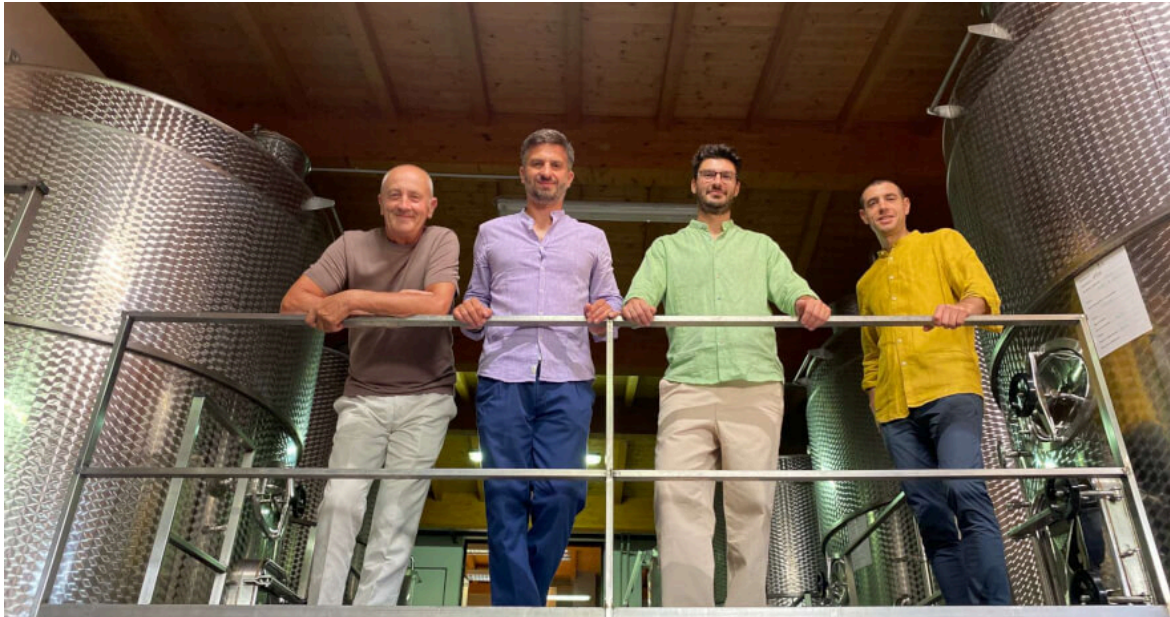


100 Harvests and 4 Generations: The Turina Family



In Moniga del Garda, on the gentle hills overlooking the lake, the Turina family celebrated a milestone steeped in history, hard work, and love for their land: one hundred harvests. A century of grape picking and winemaking that tells much more than the story of an agricultural activity. It is the narration of a passion handed down through four generations, of unwavering dedication to wine and the culture of Valtenesi.

The Roots: It All Begins in 1896. The origins of the winery date back to 1896, when great-great-grandfather Angelo Turina arrived in Moniga from Salò to work as a sharecropper for Senator Pompeo Molmenti, the man who codified modern Chiaretto. A marked destiny, almost prophetic: Molmenti was not only an innovator of rosé wine but also the indirect inspiration for a winemaking adventure that would span the twentieth century. It was Luigi Turina, in the 1920s, who took the first steps toward an independent business, cultivating his own vineyards and distributing bulk wine to taverns, transporting demijohns on horse-drawn carts. Those were times when the hard work of the vineyard went hand in hand with the courage to believe in a product still waiting to be valued.

The Turning Point: The Independent Winery. 1946 marked a milestone in the family's history. In a bountiful year, brothers Gaudenzio and Angelo found themselves having to vinify their own grapes after the large wineries in the area refused to take them. Thus was born the first autonomous Turina winery, and with it the identity of independent winemakers. It was the starting point of unstoppable growth, made up of bottles, pioneering choices, and deep transformations, such as the move inland in the 1970s or the introduction of the first oenological innovations in the 1980s, thanks to the entry of Luigi, Paolo, and Dario into the business.

Today, the company is led by cousins Matteo, Andrea, and Marco, the fourth generation of winemakers. With pride and responsibility, they carry forward a precious legacy made not only of hectares of vineyards and barrels of wine but also of a deep sense of belonging. “When we talk about enhancing a territory, we are first and foremost talking about people’s stories,” they say.

And their story is closely intertwined with the Groppello grape variety, the heart of Chiaretto, the rosé that represents the soul of Valtenesi. With 23 hectares between Valtenesi and Lugana and a production of about 150,000 bottles per year, the Turina winery has managed to combine technique and sentiment, modernity and roots. From the traditional Chiaretto di Moniga to the more ambitious Setamora, through to the award-winning Valtenesi Fontanamora – winner of the prestigious Molmenti Trophy 2025 – every wine tells a piece of their vision: respecting the past while innovating with awareness.

2025 consecrated Turina’s excellence with two major awards: in addition to the Molmenti Trophy, the Lugana Fenil Boi received the Gran Priorato del Lugana, confirming an oenological sensitivity that extends beyond Valtenesi. Equally noteworthy was the Tre Bicchieri recognition by Gambero Rosso for Fontanamora 2023: a seal of quality that rewards precision viticulture, attentive to detail and the character of the terroir.

A Story That Continues

One hundred harvests are not just a milestone, but a bridge to the future. The Turina family knows this well. With this spirit, they look ahead, staying faithful to a philosophy that has never stopped guiding them: making wine with respect, with passion, with identity.

In an age when speed seems to overwhelm the patience of the land, the story of the Turina family reminds us that true value lies in continuity, in listening to nature, in passing down a craft that is also a vocation. Their wine is not only the fruit of the grape: it is the story of a family that chose to remain, year after year, harvest after harvest, deeply bound to their land.

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