

Winemaker: **Primo Franco****Vin Divino Selection**Region: **Veneto**

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The Nino Franco winery is located in Valdobbiadene, a zone in the upper reaches of the Veneto known for producing Italy's finest Prosecco. Third generation and current owner/winemaker Primo Franco is a consummate craftsman, and produces a line of Prosecco that is second to none. The range varies in style but each one has the characteristically fruity back bone one expects from a good Prosecco. The best selling "Rustico" continues to be the bench mark of the category.

Never approach Prosecco in the way you would Champagne. Other than bubbles, they are completely different. They are for everyday and best from a white glass (no flute). They are fruity, fresh, fun and will elevate your everyday! Don't over think them... Just enjoy them!

Historical Press

Nino Franco Prosecco di Valdobbiadene "Rive di San Floriano" 2007

91 **Wine Advocate**

The 2007 Prosecco Brut Rive di San Floriano has just 10 grams of residual sugar per liter, which gives it a taut, focused personality that sits on a razor's edge of minerality. The wine offers a touch more focus and power than the Primo Franco, with fruit and energy to spare. Readers who think Prosecco can't be a serious drink should check out this terrific wine... Readers who want to explore Prosecco at its finest should put this estate at the top of their shopping lists. (Oct. 2008)



90 **Wine Enthusiast**

Extremely delicate and soft in terms of its aromatic intensity, this Prosecco Brut offers a graceful and precise embroidery of foamy, light peach fruit and spring flowers. Yet the sparkler is quite effective in the mouth thanks to its refreshing acidity and perky bubbling. (July 2009)

Nino Franco Prosecco di Valdobbiadene "Rustico" NV

89 **Wine Advocate**

Franco's NV Prosecco Brut Rustico offers up classic notes of white peaches, flowers and sweet spices. This medium-bodied wine possesses excellent persistence and a clean finish. This is just about as good as Prosecco gets at the non-vintage level. (August 2008)



Wine & Spirits

CRITICS PICKS 2008

"The best Prosecco I've had in a long time. I'd drink it on the patio with fresh Dungeness crab legs and a stoneground mustard aioli." -Nelson Daquip.

92 **Wine Report Magazine**

#1 REVIEWED PROSECCO - Pale yellow with a green tint, this wine is rich with aromas of biscuits, honey and pear marmalade. Fat flavors of apple pie, apricot and just a hint of oak, ride long-lasting bubbles to a lingering finish. Pairs this one with scallops seared in butter and lemon. (July/August 2007)

Nino Franco Prosecco di Valdobbiadene "Rustico" NV

90 **Wine Advocate**

... extremely light, refreshing, pure wines when well-made. Franco's non-vintage Prosecco di Valdobbiadene Rustico is a textbook, froth, fresh, pure, delicate, delicious sparkling white... it is the perfect crisp sparkler to wash down antipasto or to enjoy as an aperitif. (August 2001)

Leading Consumer Magazine

GREAT VALUES/QUICK PICKS - Very good; the best prosecco we tested. Crisp/tart and refreshing with a nice array of fruit. (Dec. 2007)

Nino Franco Prosecco di Valdobbiadene Brut NV

88 *Wine Advocate*

The non-vintage Prosecco di Valdobbiadene Brut is a light to medium-weight, dry, refreshing, clean sparkling wine. This is a terrific value! (Aug. 2000)

87 *Wine Enthusiast*

Light mineral tones appear on the surface of this neutral Prosecco Brut sparkler. The wine is tonic and firm with measured fruit and herbal tones that add a playful touch of complexity. It's drying and firm in the mouth with an excellent ability to keep your palate refreshed. (July 2009)



Nino Franco Prosecco di Valdobbiadene "Primo Franco" 2007

90 *Wine Advocate*

The 2007 Prosecco di Valdobbiadene Primo Franco is a delicious, well-delineated wine. It offers a cream-textured expression of sweet ripe peaches, mint and jasmine in a medium-bodied but rich style. This gorgeous, beautifully balanced wine is another stunning Prosecco from Nino Franco. The Primo Franco has 30 grams per liter residual sugar which contributes to its expansive texture... Readers who want to explore Prosecco at its finest should put this estate at the top of their shopping lists. (Oct. 2008)



88 *Wine Enthusiast*

This is a delicately floral, sweet-tasting Prosecco with sharp effervescence that tastes spicy and fresh. The sparkler leaves the palate very clean and is particularly well-suited to foods such as crusty goat cheese pastry snacks. (July 2009)

Nino Franco Prosecco di Valdobbiadene "Primo Franco" 2005

89 *Wine Report Magazine*

A brilliant pale yellow with a golden green tint, honeys and apples show in this wine's aromas. Full flavors of Granny Smith apple, pear and butterscotch showed with supple acid and a medium finish. Go with a grilled grouper. (July/August 2007)

