

	Vintage	Producer	Name	Commentary	Tasting Notes	Score	Drinking Window	Release Price	Review Date
2012	Zymé	Il Bianco From Black to White	The 2012 Il Bianco From Black to White is, as always, one of the most intriguing whites in Valpolicella. White stone fruits, pears, mint, flowers and quince all meld together in a wine of pure texture. Inviting and layered to the core, the 2012 should drink nicely for at least a few years. The 2012 is 60% Rondinella, 15% Kerner, 15% Gold Traminer and 10% Incrocio Manzoni.	91	2014 - 2016	\$25.00	Mar 2014		
2012	Zymé	Valpolicella Reverie	Freshly cut flowers, sweet red berries, mint and cinnamon jump from the glass in the 2012 Valpolicella Reverie. This vinous, fragrant Valpolicella is a simple yet absolutely delicious wine to drink now and over the next few years. The style is exuberant and joyous.	89	2014 - 2018	\$25.00	Mar 2014		
2011	Zymé	Il Bianco From Black to White	The 2011 Il Bianco From Black to White is one of the most compelling Italian whites I have tasted over the last year. Expressive perfumed notes meld into a core of vibrant white-fleshed fruit, all underpinned by tons of minerality and precision. A jewel of a wine, the 2011 should be at its best over the next few years. Over the time I followed it the flavors just kept exploding. The blend is 60% Rondinella Bianca, 15% Golden Traminer, 15% Kerner and 10% Incrocio Manzoni.	92	2014 - 2016	\$25.00	Mar 2014		
2011	Zymé	Valpolicella Reverie	The 2011 Valpolicella Reverie stands out mostly for its silky textured and refined personality, both quite rare among wines of this level. Sweet red cherries, crushed flowers and spices linger on the deceptively medium bodied, pliant finish. Bright floral notes add lift as the wine continues to blossom in the glass. Aging in steel keeps the flavors bright and vinous. This is another terrific showing.	89	2014 - 2016	\$25.00	Mar 2014		
2010	Zymé	Il Bianco From Black to White	The 2010 Il Bianco From Black to White is one of the most interesting and compelling Italian whites I tasted this year. Sweet floral notes meld into white peaches, mint and jasmine in this beautifully articulated, refined wine. The round, creamy finish makes it impossible to resist a second taste.	92	2013 - 2015	Not Available	Feb 2011		
2009	Zymé	Il Bianco From Black to White	The 2009 From Black to White is an intriguing blend of 60% Rondinella	91	2013 -	\$29.00	Feb 2011		

		Black to White	Bianca, 15% Traminer, 15% Kerner and 10% Incrocio Manzoni. Juicy pears, peaches, smoke, dried flowers and mint are woven together beautifully in a finely-knit, generous fabric. The inviting finish is soft and exceptionally polished.		2014		
2009	Zymé	Valpolicella Reverie	The 2009 Valpolicella Rêverie is an attractive, floral red bursting with fruit. The feminine, somewhat fleeting style is best suited to near-term drinking.	88	2013+	\$22.00	Feb 2011
2009	Zymé	Valpolicella Classico Superiore	Soft and supple to the core, the 2009 Valpolicella Classico Superiore is an excellent choice for drinking over the next few years. Savory herbs, earthiness, leather, smoke and black stone fruits meld together nicely in the glass. This is an especially mid-weight, fragrant Valpolicella with plenty of near-term appeal.	91	2014 - 2017	\$45.00	Mar 2014
2008	Zymé	Il Bianco From Black to White	The 2008 From Black to White is a unique blend of 60% Rondinella, 15% Golden Traminer, 15% Kerner and 10% Incrocio Manzoni. The wine offers up crisp green apples, flowers and lime in a refreshing, mid-weight style. (375 ml)	88	2013+	Not Available	Oct 2009
2008	Zymé	Valpolicella Classico Superiore	The 2008 Valpolicella Classico Superiore blossoms on the palate with sweet dark cherries, flowers and spices. The Superiore shows the complexity and nuance it has acquired after three years in cask. Although not labeled as such, this is a ripasso Valpolicella, but what stands out most is the wine's tension and minerality. There is a lot to like here. The blend is 40% Corvina, 30% Corvinone, 25% Rondinella and 5% Oseleta.	91	2014 - 2018	\$45.00	Mar 2014
2008	Zymé	60 20 20	The estate's 2008 60 20 20, a Cabernet Sauvignon/Cabernet Franc/Merlot blend is impeccable, beautiful and graceful from start to finish. Dark red berries, tar, smoke and incense are some of the notes that emerge from the glass. The freshness and pure vibrancy of the year come through in spades in this delineated, vibrant wine. The 2008 isn't a block buster, but it impresses for its textural elegance and finesse. Proprietor Celestino Gaspari dries about 30% of the fruit for 20 days and ages the finished wine about 36 months in cask, resulting in a red that occasionally shows Alzero-inspired inflections. But the 60	93+	2014 - 2020	\$60.00	Mar 2014

20 20 is its own wine, and a beautiful one at that.

2008	Zymé	Kairos	The 2008 Kairós captures the exuberance of the Zymé house style. Dark red and black fruits, smoke, tobacco, black olives and grilled herbs all make an appearance in the glass. The 2008 is dense, chewy and full-bodied, with fabulous depth and intensity, not to mention terrific overall balance. Hints of game and wildness linger on the intense finish.	93	2014 - 2023	\$90.00	Mar 2014
2007	Zymé	Valpolicella Classico Superiore	The 2007 Valpolicella Classico Superiore caresses the palate with layers of silky red fruit, freshly cut roses, spices and licorice. Deceptively medium in body, the 2007 shows off gorgeous textural finesse and layer upon layer of flavor. Today the wine is quite young, but readers will have a hard time keeping their hands off this jewel. I loved it.	93	2013 - 2017	Not Available	Feb 2011
2007	Zymé	60 20 20	The 2007 60 20 20 is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Merlot, in those proportions. This beautifully delineated, refined wine boasts notable class and elegance in its dark fruit, espresso, white truffles, grilled herbs, violets and minerals. The wine's voluptuous, sleek texture and sweet tannin are first-class. This is a fabulous wine from Zýmē.	92	2013 - 2022	\$69.00	Feb 2011
2007	Zymé	Kairos	The 2007 Kairós is essentially the second wine of the flagship Harlequin and is a blend of at least fifteen different grapes. Waves of dark fruit, mocha, chocolate, grilled herbs, spices and licorice wrap around the palate. Rich, round and seductive, the 2007 captures the very best qualities of the year. A plush, inviting finish adds to the wine's considerable appeal. In 2007 Kairós is a blend of fourteen red grapes that are given a brief period of drying, and four white varieties.	92	2014 - 2017	\$90.00	Mar 2014
2007	Zymé	Oseleta Oz	The 2007 Oseleta Oz bursts from the glass with explosive dark red fruit, sweet spices, flowers and French oak. Ripe, silky tannins provide the backbone as this harmonious wine seemingly blossoms in all directions. A generous, caressing finish rounds things out in style. This is another gorgeous showing from Zymé.	91	2014 - 2022	\$60.00	Mar 2014

2007	Zymé	Harlequin	Zymé's flagship 2007 Harlequin is remarkably soft and delicate for the vintage. Soft, floral notes lead to silky red fruits in an impeccably refined red loaded with personality. The 2007 is all about grace and weightless elegance, yet at the same time, there is plenty of depth and richness in the glass. Layers of racy, perfumed dark red fruit linger on the plush finish. In 2007, Harlequin is drop-dead gorgeous. For his flagship wine, Celestino Gaspari chooses his best fruit, encompassing at least fifteen different varieties. The fruit is air-dried for anywhere from a few days to a few weeks. The grapes are co-fermented, with 100% whole clusters, in cement vats using only indigenous yeasts and the wine is aged in 100% new oak barrels. In this vintage, Gaspari aged the wine for 15 months in new oak, then racked the wine into a second set of 100% new barrels for another 15 months. Those are just details, though, because what truly counts is that the wine is fabulous. Drop-dead gorgeous, in fact. Harlequin is a blend of 15 or more varieties, including 4 whites.	96	2014 - 2027	\$380.00	Mar 2014
2006	Zymé	Kairos	The 2006 Kairos is dark, brooding and totally fabulous. Black cherries, sweet herbs, graphite and chocolate burst from the glass in this extroverted, juicy wine. This is one of the more muscular offerings in the Zyme lineup. The textural finesse of some of the estate's best wines is missing, but the Kairos should drink beautifully for a number of years.	92	2013 - 2021	Not Available	Feb 2011
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2006	Zymé	<u>I VIGNETI</u>	The 2006 O Vigneti is composed of roughly 50% indigenous varieties (Corvina, Corvinone, Rondinella, Oseleta) and 50% international varieties (Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot) sourced from a number of parcels. This plump, joyous wine bursts onto the palate with generous dark fruit, showing considerable length and fine overall	89	2013 - 2016	Not Available	Oct 2009

balance. It should be a good value as well.

2006	Zymé	Oseleta Oz	The 2006 Oz is Oseleta, an indigenous variety that is not typically vinified on its own. This dark, brooding wine is imbued with tons of dark fruit, yet it remains somewhat stern and unyielding. Still, the purity of the fruit is extremely attractive. New leather, grilled herb, black cherries and smoke linger on the potent finish.	89	2013 - 2016	Not Available	Oct 2009
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2006	Zymé	<u>Valpolicella</u> <u>Classico</u> <u>Superiore</u> <u>Ripasso</u>	The 2006 Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso offers up rose petals, crushed raspberries, spices and cedar in a soft, expansive style. This subtle yet deeply flavored red shows exceptional balance and integrity. The aromas and flavors are just a touch forward, suggesting the wine is best enjoyed over the next few years.	92	2013 - 2015	\$45.00	Feb 2011
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2006	Zymé	Harlequin	The 2006 Harlequin is one of the most exciting, viscerally thrilling wines I have tasted in a while. Sweet aromas of roasted espresso beans lead to wild cherries, mint, licorice, blackberry jam and star anise as this opulent, full-throttle wine shows off its inimitable class and pedigree. Today the oak remains a touch intrusive, particularly in the tannins, but there appears to be more than enough density in the fruit to provide balance. The finish is eternal. This is a profound effort from Celestino Gaspari and his team. Harlequin is made from as many as fifteen different varieties. The grapes go through a brief drying process prior to being vinified. The wine is then racked into French oak, where it spends two full years with no subsequent rackings.	97	2016 - 2026	\$399.00	Feb 2011
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2006	Zymé	Amarone della Valpolicella Classico	The 2006 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico from Zymé is a real beauty. Fine, silky tannins provide the backbone for a core of sweet red berries, crushed flowers, rose petals, mint and anise, all of which lift from the glass effortlessly. This is a decidedly feminine, gracious Amarone built on fragrance, nuance and pure delineation. There is so much to like here, most importantly, the wine's exceptional balance. What a gorgeous wine this is.	95	2014 - 2026	\$150.00	Mar 2014
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2005	Zymé	Kairos	The 2005 Kairòs is a dark, mysterious wine laced with plums, wild cherries, tobacco, new leather and spices. It shows marvelous texture	93	2013 - 2025	\$109.00	Feb 2011

and depth all the way through to the captivating finish. This is a fabulous effort in a vintage that was very challenging in Valpolicella. Kairòs is a blend of fifteen varieties. The grapes go through a brief drying process prior to being vinified. The wine is then racked into French oak, where it spends two full years with no subsequent rackings. Kairòs is essentially the sibling of the estate's flagship Harlequin and is only made in vintages not deemed important enough for that wine. The 2005 is impressive.

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2004	Zymé	Kairos	The 2004 Kairos is conceived as the second selection of the estate's flagship Harlequin. It is a deep, super-ripe wine loaded with dark fruit. The French oak is a touch overbearing here, which keeps the score from going higher. Kairos is made from a variety of red grapes which are dried prior to vinification. The wine spends 24 months in French oak prior to being bottled.	90	2013 - 2018	Not Available	Oct 2009	
2004	Zymé	Amarone della Valpolicella Classico	The 2004 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico is a fabulous wine. Espresso, grilled herbs, leather, black pepper, wild cherries and licorice blossom on the palate as this layered, totally sublime Amarone conquers the palate. This is a mid-weight style of Amarone built on a core of elegance rather than sheer power. The 2004 is just a touch forward, which is the only thing that keeps the score from going higher. Based on the more recent wines I tasted, there seems to be no limit to what this estate can achieve. The Amarone is 30% Corvina, 30% Corvinone, 30% Rondinella and 5% each Oseleta and Croatina. The wine was aged in a combination of French oak barrels and casks.	95	2013 - 2019	\$199.00	Feb 2011	
2003	Zymé	Amarone della Valpolicella Classico	The 2003 Amarone reveals gorgeous density and purity in its fruit. Sweet menthol, flowers and minerals emerge with air, adding considerable complexity to the dark fruit. The wine boasts superb balance and the French oak is integrated very nicely, even if the tannins dry out slightly on the finish. This medium-bodied yet sumptuous Amarone is all about clarity and precision.	92	2013 - 2021	Not Available	Oct 2009	
2003	Zymé	Harlequin	The 2003 Harlequin is a remarkably layered wine boasting tons of sheer concentration and richness as suggestions of dark fruit and balsamic notes swirl around in the glass. As with the 2003 Amarone, the French oak is felt in the slightly dry tannins, but that notwithstanding, this is a fascinating, full-throttle wine. Gaspari's aim is to make a wine that is as consistent as possible from vintage to vintage, so he leaves himself the option of back blending a small percentage of wine from previous vintages.	93	2013 - 2021	Not Available	Oct 2009	

2001	Zymé	Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva della Mattonara	The 2001 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva della Mattonara bursts from the glass with endless layers of silky fruit. White flowers, French oak, new leather and spices blossom as the wine opens up. A super-refined, insistent finish leaves a strong impression. The Riserva della Mattonara is 40% Corvina, 30% Corvinone, 15% Rondinella, 10% Oseleta and 5% Croatina. The wine was fermented in cement vats and spent a whopping nine years in a combination of casks and smaller barrels. Today the French oak is a bit dominant. As good as the 2001 Riserva is, it can't quite match the 2006 Harlequin, the wine that remains the pinnacle of achievement at Zyme.	94	2013 - 2021	Not Available	Feb 2011
2001	Zymé	Amarone della Valpolicella Classico	The 2001 Amarone is incredibly refined. Layers of dark fruit, minerals, flowers and spices come to life in a powerful yet precise style. The wine shows very early notes of advancing aromas, but it should drink beautifully for another decade or so.	92	2013 - 2019	Not Available	Oct 2009
2001	Zymé	Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva della Mattonara	It is great to revisit the 2001 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva della Mattonara, a wine that did not thrill me when it was first released. Maraschino cherries, new leather, spices, licorice and tobacco are some of the nuances that take shape in the glass, but like all Zymé wines, the Riserva is really a wine of texture just as much as it is a wine of flavors. The 2001 boasts gorgeous inner perfume and tons of personality. At the same time, it is an early wine for Zymé, and it seems pretty clear that quality has improved significantly in the intervening years. Creamy, expansive and generous on the palate, the 2001 should drink nicely for another decade, give or take.	95	2014 - 2023	\$350.00	Mar 2014
1999	Zymé	Harlequin	The estate's 1999 Harlequin is remarkably fresh for a wine of its age. Some of the density has receded, but the wine is immensely appealing in its ripe red fruit, tar, licorice and minerals. The wine turns quite a bit more powerful in the glass, with an attractive smokiness that lingers on the close.	92	2013 - 2019	Not Available	Oct 2009