

Zymé

Celestino Gaspari moves from strength to strength with these current releases. The Zymé wines stand out for their textural silkiness and racy stylishness. Once the heir-apparent at Quintarelli, Gaspari has found his own, very personal approach at Zymé, where no expense is spared and no detail too small to be given the utmost attention. This is one of the most meticulously run operations I have seen anywhere in the world.

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		(Hover for Commentary)		Tasting Notes	Score	Author	Drinking Window	Release Price	Review Date
	Vintage	Producer	Name						
2013	Zymé	Valpolicella Reverie	The 2013 Valpolicella Reverie is soft, floral and very pretty. Sweet red berries, mint and spices jump from the glass in a racy, fruit-driven Valpolicella with tons of near-term appeal. The style is overt, fresh and juicy to the core. -- Antonio Galloni	88	Antonio Galloni	2015 - 2018	\$26.00	Jul 2015	
2013	Zymé	Il Bianco From Black to White	White flowers, mint, white peaches, and crushed rocks are some of the notes that jump from the glass in the 2013 Il Bianco From Black to White. This crisp, vibrant white blend is an excellent choice for drinking now and over the next few years. The floral aromatics are hugely appealing, but with air, the wine's textural richness become more evident. There is so much to like here. -- Antonio Galloni	92	Antonio Galloni	2015 - 2018	\$30.00	Jul 2015	
2010	Zymé	Metodo Classico	Zymé's 2010 Metodo Classico, 100% Pinot Noir, is bright, focused and brilliant. White flowers, crushed rocks, mint and stone fruits are all beautifully delineated. There is a lot to like in the 2010, including the wine's fine mousse and terrific overall balance. Celestino Gaspari gave the 2010 two and half years on its lees. -- Antonio Galloni	91	Antonio Galloni	2015 - 2018	\$48.00	Jul 2015	
2010	Zymé	Valpolicella Classico Superiore	Sweet tobacco, mint, dried cherries and herbs are all laced together in the 2010 Valpolicella Classico Superiore. Soft, silky and expressive in the glass, the 2010 offers lovely complexity and nuance, especially within the context of the year. Even though not labeled as such, the Superiore is a ripasso-style Valpolicella. The limits of this challenging vintage are impossible to escape. -- Antonio Galloni	89	Antonio Galloni	2015 - 2018	\$45.00	Jul 2015	
2009	Zymé	60 20 20	The 2009 60 20 20, Zymé's Bordeaux-blend, is laced with freshly cut flowers, mint, sweet red berries all meld together in a silky, expressive wine loaded with character. This pliant, resonant red is an excellent choice for drinking over the next handful of years. The 100% new oak is nicely balanced. The blend is 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Cabernet Franc and 20% Merlot, all from the Colli Berici appellation near Vicenza. -- Antonio Galloni	92	Antonio Galloni	2015 - 2021	\$60.00	Jul 2015	
2009	Zymé	Kairos	The 2009 Kairos is silky, perfumed and highly expressive. Sweet red stone fruits, spices, mint are all laced together in the glass. The 2009 is a bit fresher than the 2008, with fewer of the wilder and slightly angular notes in the 2008. Kairos is essentially the second wine of the flagship Harlequin and is a blend of at least fifteen	93	Antonio Galloni	2015 - 2024	\$90.00	Jul 2015	

different grape varieties.

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2008	Zymé	<u>Oseleta</u>	The 2008 Oseleta is gorgeous. A bold, assertive wine, the 2008 races across the palate with amarena cherries, tobacco, game, licorice and smoke. The tannins are firm and there is plenty of structure, but at the same time, the Oseleta is endowed with marvelous complexity and pedigree. This is a terrific showing from Zymé. The 2008 was done in 100% French oak, 40% new.	94	Antonio Galloni	2015 - 2023	\$69.00	Jul 2015
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2008	Zymé	<u>Harlequin</u>	The 2008 Harlequin, Zymé's flagship red, is a baby. A precise, layered wine, the 2008 impresses for its energy and focus. This is one of the more polished, refined vintages of Harlequin I can remember tasting. Sweet red cherries, mint, new leather and cinnamon all meld together in a silky, layered wine built on pure class. The 200% new oak is felt in the wine's balance, but the oak is nicely integrated just the same.	95+	Antonio Galloni	2016 - 2028	\$380.00	Jul 2015
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2007	Zymé	<u>Amarone della Valpolicella Classico</u>	Dried red cherries, sweet tobacco, mint, leather and licorice meld together in the 2007 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico. Sweet, silky and layered in the glass, the 2007 is quite open and accessible, even at this early stage. I expect the 2007 will reward consumers with a long and broad drinking window of considerable pleasure.	92	Antonio Galloni	2015 - 2022	\$150.00	Jul 2015
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2003	Zymé	<u>Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva della Mattonara</u>	The 2003 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva della Mattonara is a drop-dead gorgeous beauty. Smoke, plums, tar and black cherries meld together in a layered, intense Amarone bursting at the seams with personality and nuance. The aromatics are just a bit forward, as one might expect from a warm vintage. Today, the memory of what Amarone is has begun to fade as so many wines are made with lower residual sugar, but in many ways, the 2003 is a throwback to an older-school style, with the contemporary polish that is Celestino Gaspari's signature.	94	Antonio Galloni	2015 - 2025	\$350.00	Jul 2015
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