



WHERE  
ITALY

WHAT  
RED

WHEN  
WEEKLY WILDLY

## ZANCHI 'ARMANÉ' AMELIA ROSSO

Historical fiction riven with sex.



**WINEMAKER** Leonardo Zanchi

**REGION** Umbria, Amelia

**GRAPE VARIETY** Sangiovese  
(mainly), Cilieggiolo

**SOIL** Sand and clay with traces  
of Pleistocene-Marine lignite

**AGE OF VINES** Planted in the  
1990's

**PRODUCTION** 18,000 bottles

**VITI VINI** Organic practices and in the process  
of certifying, hand harvested, low yields, de-  
stemmed and pressed, with maceration on skins  
for 8-10 days in accordance with local tradition.  
Fermentation occurs naturally at controlled  
temperatures in glass-lined concrete vats. Matured  
for 6 months in 2500L 5 year old oak barrels.

**PRODUCER** Azienda Agricola Zanchi, is a 30  
hectare estate dedicated to the principals of  
low impact viticultural practices that aims to  
preserve biodiversity and the ancient clones  
that exist on their land. It all started in 1970  
when Licurgo Zanchi purchased an old farmhouse  
in the Amelia hills in Umbria. In the fields that  
surrounded the house, untended for years, a few



### CONCEPTUAL DOPPELGÄNGER

Mystery need not apply - this  
one is obvious and classic and  
part a and seduction. A lip  
biting, eyebrow arching, toe  
curling gurgle of satiny red  
liquid designed to elevate and  
expiate (for sins not yet  
committed). Bring on the red  
meat and hunger and lust for  
life. The chi of Zanchi is earth  
that spews forth the grapes  
into the Umbrian hillsides,  
just slightly angrily.

rows of ancient vines survived, along with  
centuries old olive trees. With great patience  
and attention, he brought them back into  
production. Over the years, his son Leonardo  
and his wife Anna Maria transformed Licurgo's  
sentimental project into a commercial  
operation. They modernized the cellars and  
increased focus on indigenous varieties. With  
their background as pioneer winegrowers in  
the hills of Amelia, the Zanchi family have  
now reached the third generation, with  
daughters Flores and Flaviana and son-in-law  
Mario all directly involved in the day to day.  
Over the years they have naturally crafted  
wines that are most representative of their  
local area and its traditions.

