



CREMA ALPINA PISTACCHIO

Nogaredo, Trentino

Founded in 1949 in the village of Nogaredo, in the southern part of Trentino near Lake Garda, Marzadro was the brainchild of Sabina Marzadro and her brother, Attilio. Sabina spent many years in Rome, working in the home of a local politician, but, upon returning home to Nogaredo, she decided to go in an entrepreneurial direction. She had an alembic still fabricated by a local coppersmith and installed it in the family home, welcoming local vintners to bring their pomace to be distilled. Attilio filled his Guzzi motorcycle's sidecar with bottles and went out to Rovereto, Trento, and beyond to sell them.

From those humble beginnings has sprung a beautifully appointed modern distillery of impressive dimensions. Marzadro is now one of Italy's leading distilled spirits producers, operating out of a striking facility completed in 2004. Designed by Bolzano-based architects Walter Maurmayr and Günther Plaickner, the distillery's centerpiece is a battery of eight copper stills, which are arranged in a circle under a skylit dome. These *bain marie*-style stills are almost always in operation, especially from September through December, when they're running 24 hours a day. Over in the dramatic, vaulted *bottai* (barrel room), rows of barrels hold grappas and other spirits in various stages of evolution.

Style

Cream Liqueur incorporating fresh, locally sourced cream from Trentino. The pistachio flavor is derived from a distillate of fresh pistachio nuts (nuts are macerated in neutral spirit and that mixture is then distilled). This distillate, or "*alcoholate*," is added to a mixture of water, sugar, milk proteins, cream, neutral spirit, and natural stabilizers. The product undergoes two separate hot homogenizations, then pasteurization, and is shelf stable (although refrigeration is recommended after opening).

Essential Ingredients

Fresh cream; pistachio nut distillate

ABV

17%

Tasting Notes

Creamy, nutty, and delicately sweet, slightly reminiscent of melted pistachio ice cream.

Producer Website

www.marzadro.it

