

Italia B

Table grape variety.



Origin

Italia or 65 Pirovano was obtained in 1911 by Angelo Pirovano by crossbreeding Bicane with Muscat de Hambourg.

Use

Table grape variety.

Name of the variety in France

Italia

Synonymy

In Croatia, Italia is officially designated as "Muskat italija". This synonym is officially recognized in France regarding plant propagation material.

Regulatory data

In France, Italia is officially listed in the "Catalogue of vine varieties" on the A list. This variety is also listed in the catalogues of other Member States of the European Union: Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Italy, Portugal and Spain.

Description elements

The identification is based on:

- the tip of the young shoot with a high density of prostrate hairs,
- the yellow and shiny young leaves,
- the circular adult leaves, with five lobes, an open, slightly open or closed U-shaped petiole sinus, large teeth with convex sides, no anthocyanin coloration of veins, a slightly blistered leaf blade, involute, curly on the edges, and on the lower side of the leaves, a low density of erect and prostrate hairs,
- the ellipsoid berries with a slightly muscat or a simple flavor.

Evolution of cultivated areas in France

Year	1958	1968	1979	1988	2000	2008	2018
ha	874	858	665	492	161	152	59

Genetic profile

Microsatellite	VVS2	VVMD5	VVMD7	VVMD27	VRZAG62	VRZAG79	VVMD25	VVMD28	VVMD32
Allele 1	131	229	243	176	192	256	238	233	251
Allele 2	147	236	247	191	204	258	248	243	271

Cultivation and agronomic skills

Italia has very strong vigor and a semi-erect bearing. This variety must be trained and pruned long.

Susceptibility to Diseases and Pests

Italia is sensitive to downy mildew and grey rot.

Clonal selection in France

The four certified Italia clones carry the numbers 307, 784, 858 and 918.

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Phenology

Bud burst: 5 days after Chasselas.
Grape maturity: late-season, 4 weeks after Chasselas.

Technological potential

The bunches are very large, conical-shaped, moderately compact with large to very large berries. The skins are moderately thick with a firm and juicy pulp and the berries have a pleasant flavor. Italia has a good storage and transport capacity.



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