

One Step Ahead with Sustainable Agriculture

Azienda Agricola Moranda – Italy

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At Bayer ForwardFarms, farmers and Bayer experts demonstrate innovative solutions for sustainable agriculture that comprise three components:

- // Tailored Solutions Innovative products and services tailored to customer needs, including high quality seeds and traits, biological and chemical crop protection products and digital solutions. These solutions are backed by tailored services ranging from agronomic support, field demonstrations, diagnostics, and prediction tools to documentation.
- // Proactive Stewardship to ensure product integrity (for seeds and crop protection products), protect human health, and preserve the environment. We offer training to raise standards of handling and usage, as well as to minimize any possible risks to human health and the environment.
- // Partnerships to enhance the quality of life for farmers, communities, and society. Mutually beneficial partnerships that include all players in the value chain and help to leverage the potential for collaboration in modern agriculture.

Sustainable Agriculture in Practice

In the famous area of DOC Valpolicella, the Capurso family produces wine varietals such as Valpolicella, Valpolicella Superiore and Amarone, also known as "The Great Bitter" because of the partially dried grapes that help give the wine its full body and rich flavor. The Capurso's strive to uphold the renowned legacy of the Veneto region wines by implementing modern farming techniques and respecting their surroundings. On Bayer ForwardFarms like Azienda Agricola Moranda, Bayer and farmers join hands to demonstrate sustainable agriculture in practice.



Introducing Azienda Agricola Moranda Owned by

Nunzio Giovanni Capurso



Location: Valpantena, near Verona.

History:

Farmed by the Capurso Family since 1896, owned by Nunzio Giovanni Capurso and his daughters, Camilla and Selene.



Farming Land:

Well-drained alluvial soil rich in clay and limestone.

Crops:

Wine grapes, cherries and olives are grown on 17 ha.

Partners:

Braglia, Bulzoni Meccanica, Graper, Mybatec, Pessl Instruments, World Biodiversity Association.



Tailored Solutions
Proactive Stewardship
Partnerships

Key Elements



Integrated crop protection solutions

Integrating chemical and biological crop protection products in a sustainable manner with modern farming techniques to protect the vineyards from adversity.



Fungal disease monitoring

Advance knowledge of fungal disease development in the grapevines through a decision support system ensures appropriate and timely intervention.



Insect pest monitoring

Smart digital traps provide real-time data on the population dynamics of insects harmful to the vines and enable intervention only when needed.



Weather monitoring

Weather station supplies real-time information on changes in weather and soil moisture enabling optimal irrigation and correct crop protection product use.



Operator safety

Maximizing user safety throughout all stages of crop protection, product application and storage with personal protective equipment and services.



Safe transfer of crop protection products

Proper dosing and handling of liquid crop protection products for the sprayers through easyFlow[®], an innovative system that ensures operational efficiency and safety for both the operator and the environment.



Application of crop products

Effective treatment of crops through proper distribution of crop protection products on the plant.

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Biodegradation of crop protection products

Water used for cleaning spray equipment is collected and crop protection product residues are broken down naturally by micro-organisms via the Phytobac[®] system. This avoids runoff into the environment.

Preserving biodiversity

Fostering the coexistence of different species of animals and plants through the implementation of activities aimed at preserving natural habitat.



Biodiversity monitoring

Regular monitoring of biodiversity status on the farm through the Biodiversity Friend® certification.

Protecting bees

Encouraging the presence of bees on the farm by taking measures that foster food availability and living space.

Partnerships

Bringing together the skillsets and expertise to demonstrate successful and modern sustainable farming.



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