

K O Z L O V I Ć

ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

A HOUSE FOR WINE AND PEOPLE



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The KOZLOVIC WINERY is a family winery that was started in **1904**. It is located in the peninsula of Istria – Croatia, 10 km from the Adriatic coast, at the foot of a hill with the medieval hamlet of Momjan at the top. The winery and the cellar cover a total area of **2200 square meters spread over three floors**. It was completed and opened in **2012**.

A rectangular, clean cut structure rises up from the middle of the vineyards however, it is almost invisible. **The façade** is made from sandblasted aluminium plates, 10 mm thick, **constructed as a stylized vine-like installation** while a flat roof is used as a horticultural installation planted with lavender bushes and flowers which are maintained by a gardener. The space is organised **on 3 floors** (for both functional and practical reasons) using the natural slope configuration of the land. The tasting room, mostly made of **oak and concrete**, is equipped with modern audio visual aids and a smart wine bar.

The materials used for the exterior include **glass and steel with wooden details** at the entrance. The goal was to combine the **family's tradition with a contemporary design**, submerging the building into the surroundings, blending colours and shapes with the landscape. The space has both economic and commercial value but is just as equally a **house for people and wine**.

Given the fact that it is a family winery it was important to maintain a sense of tradition and pay homage to the past by respecting the family's ancestors: the wooden board cut in the shape of the owner's father dominates the stairways while photos of hands, faces and barrels done in large black and white formats decorate the walls of the barrique cellar.

The summer terrace that stretches above the vineyards is equipped with specially designed benches. The glass fence makes one feel as if they are sitting amidst vines, surrounded by nature as well as being part of it.

