

# Formaggio di grotta sulfurea



## Source

• Emilia Romagna

## Type of milk

• Sheep

In contrast to the Covered Trench cheese made nearby, this Romagna speciality is ripened for three months over the summer-autumn period, not in trenches, but in caves dug out of the sulphurous rocks which then confer a very distinctive flavour to the cheese. (The cheese used in this process is Pienza Pecorino sheep's cheese.)

### **Organoleptic characteristics**

Aspect and texture: hard, grainy, yellow paste with the presence of liquids
Taste: very intense and piquant with traces of tufaceous, sulphurous humus
Serving suggestions: Full bodied, aged, red wines. Mixed vegetable chutney. Tuscan unsalted bread

### **Technical characteristics**

Milk: full fat, raw, sheep's cheese Production method: artisan Paste: pressed Salting: dry Ripening: three months in a cave Production period: November Fats: 40 % F-Dm Weight: 1.5 kg each



Dimensions: variable Producers: cheese ripeners in the area around Predappio (Romagna) Whole cheese code: n.d. Cutted cheese code: n.d.