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Contrada Rampante is the highest Contrada located over 1,000m high. The vineyard is located at the limits of vine cultivation on Etna. The extension is 1.7 hectares. Contrada R is one of the most delicate and aromatic wines that can be found on the slopes of the volcano. The soils are very old lava, sandier and more oxidized than other parts. Because of its remarkable height it is always the last vineyard to be harvested.

Annata 2020

The summer of 2020 was moderate with rains, and generally by the bad weather; at the end of the month July the heat returned, until the rain of 10th of August and finally those of early September.

Later, after the pools of white fermented and all went to the beach with the majestic mountain under the sun, came the rain accompanied by a little hail; A wind from the north blew all night and on the first of October the expected cold fell on the cities and villages.

For nearly a month the sky remained clear and from 14th of October all red grapes began to ripen.

The first to reach the winery was Cesanese d’Affile, more sensitive to the temperatures of mid-October.

It was the 24th of October when, after several tastings in the vineyard, Petit Verdot was also matured, the grapes brought with the aromas of oriental spices and a mixture of crunchy red fruits, with the achievement of maximum balance in the mouth at the dawn of the 26th of October; where we had to call even more harvesters from neighbouring counties to ensure we did not miss the moment.

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Denomination	IGT Terre Siciliane
Area of production	Mount Etna, north side, Sicily
Blend	Nerello Mascalese 100%
Age of vineyard	More than 100 years
Planting density	8000 plants per hectare
Altitude	1000M A.S.L
Yield	45 HI/Ha
Harvest-time	29 th October
Type of harvest	Hand-selected
Fertilization	Nothing
Treatment	Clay, propolis, grapefruit seed extracts, copper and sulfur
Vinification	Steel vats
Aging	18 months in large oak barrels
Bottling	Waning moon April 2022
Production	3990 bottles

