



Contrada C 2020 | Passopisciaro



Denomination IGT Terre Siciliane

Area of production | Mount Etna, north side, Sicily

Blend Nerello Mascalese 100%

Age of vineyard 90 years

Planting density 8.000 plants per hectare

Altitude 550M A.S.L

Yield 55 HI/Ha

Harvest-time 20th October

Type of harvest Hand-selected

Fertilization Nothing

Treatment Clay, propolis, grapefruit seed extracts, copper and sulphur

Vinification Steel vats

Aging 18 months in large oak barrels

Bottling Waning moon April 2022

Production 4000 bottles

Contrada Chiappemacine is a small district, located at 550m a.s.l., the lowest of the five. This vineyard produces a full and round wine because of the sandstone soil that is found at the limits of the lava flows. The breezes of the day and a few roots that reach up to the limestone give a full, frustrating and with body wine. We have 1,2 Ha of vineyard in this Contrada.

Vintage 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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