

CONTRADA MONTE SERRA

Etna Rosso ninazione di Origine Controllata

2020 CONTRADA MONTE SERRA, ETNA ROSSO DOC



Etna D.O.C. Rosso

Grape Variety:

Nerello Mascalese, the noble indigenous red grape of Mount Etna

Production Area: Contrada Monte Serra, on the slopes of Monte Serra, an ancient extinct volcanic cone within the territory of the village of Viagrande (CT), on the south-eastern flank of

Mount Etna

Altitude:

450 m a.s.l. / 1,500 ft a.s.l.

Climate:

High hill climate, humid and rainy in the cooler season, with high ventilation

and luminosity

Soil:

Sandy, volcanic, rich in minerals, with sub-acid reaction (pH 6.3)

Vine Age

& Training:

Ranging from 14 to 100+ years old. Head-trained, short-pruned bush vines

("alberello"), grown on small terraces with dry lava-stone walls

Vine Density:

9,000 vinestocks per hectare (3,644 vines per acre)

Yield:

6,500 kg/ha

Vinification:

Grapes are hand-picked in late September / early October, de-stemmed and softly pressed. Fermentation occurs at a controlled temperature in stainless steel, with a 21 days long maceration, using an indigenous yeast selected in the vineyards by Benanti

Maturation occurs in used tonneaux of French oak for about 12 months.

Refining:

In the bottle for approximately 10 months

Alcohol:

13.5%

Tasting Notes:

COLOR - Pale, ruby red with light tints of garnet

SCENT - Ethereal, spicy, with scents of red fruit

TASTE AND BODY - Dry, medium-to-full bodied, reasonably tannic,

balanced and persistent

Food Pairings:

A wine particularly suited for red meats, wild fowl and mature cheese.

Serve at 18 - 19° C

Drinking

Window:

2022 - 2035

