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**Tenuta Tascante Contrada Rampante
Etna DOC - 2016**

Robert Parker
WINE ADVOCATE

PRODUCER PROFILE

Winery Owner(s):

The Tasca Family

Winemaker:

Laura Orsi

Winery Founded:

2007

Region:

Sicily

Made with vines planted at the dawn of the new millennium, the 2016 Etna Rosso Contrada Rampante comes from one of the best-performing parcels on the northern side of the volcano, where the topsoil (consisting of eroded volcanic stone and compacted ash) is a bit thicker and deeper compared to most other sites on the volcano. This allows for deep root systems and well-draining moisture. This wine shows a dark and compact nature with ripe fruit, dried blackberry, aniseed and camphor. Like the other wines in this series, this expression ages in 25-hectoliter Slavonian oak casks for 12 months. Some 5,000 bottles were made.

- *Monica Larner*