



TENUTA TASCANTE



2017
Contrada Rampante
Etna Rosso DOC



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Contrada Pianodario
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Contrada Sciaranuova
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WINEENTHUSIAST

Kerin O'Keefe
Nov 2020

"Aromas suggesting underbrush, wild red berries, cedar and Mediterranean scrub waft out of the glass. The polished, linear palate features juicy Marasca cherry, toasted hazelnut and star anise set against lithe tannins. Drink through 2027."

94 points

"Fragrant and refined, this offers enticing scents of woodland berries, rose petal, Mediterranean herbs and dark spice. Polished and delicious, the smooth, focused palate delivers juicy red cherry, white pepper and star anise alongside taut, smooth tannins and fresh acidity."

95 points

EDITOR'S CHOICE "Compelling aromas of Mediterranean scrub, fragrant purple flowers, wild berries and crushed stone lead the nose in this gorgeous red. On the delicious, elegantly structured palate, polished tannins seamlessly support flavors of juicy black cherry, crushed raspberry, licorice and graphite all while fresh acidity keeps it balanced. Drink 2021-2029."

96 points

"Cedar, eucalyptus, Mediterranean scrub and wild berry are just some of the aromas you'll find on this gorgeous red. On the **drop-dead delicious palate**, smoky mineral and licorice accent a core of juicy Morello cherry and blood orange. Fresh acidity and lithe, polished tannins provide elegant support. Drink through 2029."

97 points



Eric Guido
June 2021

"The 2017 Contrada Rampante Etna Rosso is stunning from the first tilt of the glass, showing the ripe nature of the vintage, yet balancing it wonderfully against the smoky and savory characteristics of its source. Musky cherries, dried roses, crushed black stone and a complementary hint of charred wood can all be discerned. It's silky and pliant in feel, with sweet red berries contrasted by zesty acids and minerals. While this may not be a Rampante for long-term cellaring, it still possesses a balanced display of fine tannins that frame the expression well. **There's so much pleasure to be found here today and over the next five to eight years"**

93 points

"The 2017 Contrada Pianodario Etna Rosso opens slowly, focused at first on wild herbs and hints of damp earth. It blossoms with swirling, as a dusty display of dried strawberries and rose hips fills the glass. It's soft, even fleshy in feel, yet supported by brisk acids and ripe red and black fruits. A coating of fine tannin mounts toward the close, revealing the Pianodario's youthful poise, all under an air of violet florals and a jolt of tart woodland berries. **This is certainly the most structured of Tenuta Tascante's single vineyards from 2017, but also the most likely to benefit from medium-term cellaring."**

93+ points

"The 2017 Contrada Sciaranuova Etna Rosso presents an incredibly pretty and lifted bouquet of fresh violets and geranium. Notes of wild strawberries and nuances of sweet spice and crushed stone come forward with time in the glass. In the mouth, it's silky in texture, offering a sapid display of ripe red and hints of blue fruit, all coasting along a core of juicy acidity. Inner florals resonate long over a coating of salty minerals, as a hint of nectarine slowly fades."

91 points

"The 2017 Contrada Sciaranuova Etna Rosso V.V. pulls you close with a darkly alluring bouquet of crushed ashen stone, violets, fresh blackberries and savory exotic spice. It's silky and pliant in feel, yet it quickly firms up through a display of tart woodland berries, minerals and brisk acids. A coating of grippy tannin emerges through the finale, creating a classically dry and youthfully tense sensation, as hints of licorice and balsamic-tinged fruits slowly dissipate. While I don't see this as a wine to hold over the long term, a few years in the cellar will help it soften a bit. I look forward to tasting this same bottling from a more classic vintage. **The V.V. hails from 60-year-old vines in the Sciaranuova vineyard, refined in 25-hectoliter Slavonian oak casks for 12 months."**

92 points

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Nov 2020

"A succulent, juicy red with plum, citrus and floral character, as well as a hint of cured meat. It's medium-bodied with soft, creamy tannins that melt into the wine. Juicy and lightly chewy finish. **Delicious already, but better after 2022."**

95 points

"Earth, stone, ash and strawberry aromas with hints of citrus. It's full-bodied, yet tight and agile with a racy texture and focus at the finish. Drink or hold."

94 points

"Strawberry and citrus aromas and flavors with some cream and rose notes. It's medium-bodied with firm tannins and a fresh finish. Some walnut and dried-earth undertones. Drink or hold."

94 points

"Wow. Such a beautiful, old-vine red with strawberry and cherry aromas, as well hints of hazelnuts and roses. It's full, very creamy and polished. Extremely long and flavorful. Gorgeous wine all around. Drink or hold."

96 points