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**Tenuta Tascante "Ghiaia Nera" Etna  
DOC - 2017**

*Robert Parker*  
WINE ADVOCATE

**PRODUCER PROFILE**

Winery Owner(s):

The Tasca Family

Winemaker:

Laura Orsi

Winery Founded:

2007

Region:

Sicily

The most accessible of these red wines from Tasca's Etna Tascante project is the 2017 Etna Rosso Ghiaia Nera. A pure expression of Nerello Mascalese, the wine sees fruit sourced from various sites, including young vines planted on the northeast flank of the volcano in the Contrada Piano Dario. This vineyard consists of 98 terraces with vines surrounded by chestnut trees and forest bramble. This bright, mid-weight wine is redolent of wild cherry, blue flower and volcanic ash. This is a versatile, easy-drinking and food-friendly interpretation from Etna. An ample 50,000 bottles are made, and **this wine awards you one of the best values you'll find in Sicily.**

- Monica Larner