



#### PRODUCER PROFILE

Winery Owner(s):

The Tasca Family

Winemaker:

Laura Orsi

Winery Founded:

2007

Region:

Sicily

#### WINE STORY

Mt Etna, Europe's largest active volcano, is situated on the eastern side of Sicily and is home of some of Italy's most dramatic wine landscapes. The Etna DOC is divided into 132 *Contrade*, or wine districts.

Each Contrada is characterized by its soil components and the age of the lava formations in the vineyards. Tasca works in four Contrade located on the northern side of Mt. Etna. Contrada Rampante is located between Passopisciaro and Randazzo and is an 11 acre vineyard that has large dry-stone wall terraces at an average slope of 4.7% with volcanic formations that date from 4,000 - 15,000 years ago. Contrada Rampante is 100% Nerello Mascalese aged 12 months in 25 hl Slavonia oak casks.

#### VINEYARDS & VINIFICATION

VINEYARD LOCATION:	Castiglione di Sicilia - Contrade Rampante
ELEVATION:	720 m.a.s.l.
SOILS:	Volcanic soil 4,000 - 15,000 years ago
TRAINING SYSTEM:	Cordon Spur
FARMING PRACTICES:	Sustainable (SOSustain certified)
AGE OF VINES:	19 years (Planted in 2000)
YIELD:	8 tons per hectares
GRAPES:	100% Nerello Mascalese
TYPE OF YEAST:	Selected yeast
FERMENTATION:	manual selection of the clusters and berries
SECOND FERMENTATION:	N/A
MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION:	Yes
FILTRATION:	Yes
AGING CONTAINER:	Slavonian oak cask 25 hl
AGING TIME:	1 year
BOTTLE AGING TIME:	8 months
PRODUCTION:	5660 bottles
VEGAN:	Yes

#### TECHNICAL DATA

ALCOHOL:	13%	TOTAL ACIDITY:	6.2 g/l
RESIDUAL SUGAR:	0.3 g/l	EXTRACT:	25 g/l