



#### PRODUCER PROFILE

Winery Owner(s):

The Tasca Family

Winemaker:

Stefano Masciarelli

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, that are distinguished by different volcanic soil formations. Contrada Sciaranuova is located between Montelaguardia and Passopisciaro. With an area of 35 acres total and 12 acres of vineyards, the volcanic soil formations found in Sciaranuova date back 40,000 years. Tenuta Tascante Contrada Sciaranuova Vigna Vecchia (old vine) is produced from the portion of the vineyards that were planted in 1960. Made from 100% Nerello Mascalese, the wine is aged for one year in large Slavonian oak cask and smaller French oak tonneaux.

#### VINEYARDS & VINIFICATION

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| <b>VINEYARD LOCATION:</b>            | Radazzo (CT) - Contrade Sciaranuova       |
| <b>ELEVATION:</b>                    | 730 m.a.s.l.                              |
| <b>SOILS:</b>                        | Volcanic soil 4,000 - 15,000 years ago    |
| <b>TRAINING SYSTEM:</b>              | Cordon Spur                               |
| <b>FARMING PRACTICES:</b>            | Sustainable (SOSain certified)            |
| <b>AGE OF VINES:</b>                 | 69 year old vines (Planted in 1960)       |
| <b>YIELD:</b>                        | 7.8 tons per hectare                      |
| <b>GRAPES:</b>                       | 100% Nerello Mascalese                    |
| <b>TYPE OF YEAST:</b>                | Selected yeast                            |
| <b>POST-FERMENTATION PROCEDURES:</b> | Racking and start malolactic fermentation |
| <b>SECOND FERMENTATION:</b>          | N/A                                       |
| <b>MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION:</b>      | Yes                                       |
| <b>FILTRATION:</b>                   | Yes                                       |
| <b>AGING CONTAINER:</b>              | Slavonian oak cask 25 hl                  |
| <b>AGING TIME:</b>                   | 1 year                                    |
| <b>BOTTLE AGING TIME:</b>            | 1 year                                    |
| <b>PRODUCTION:</b>                   | 5900 bottles                              |
| <b>VEGAN:</b>                        | Yes                                       |

#### TECHNICAL DATA

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| <b>ALCOHOL:</b>        | 13.5%   | <b>TOTAL ACIDITY:</b> | 5.2 g/l |
| <b>RESIDUAL SUGAR:</b> | 0.3 g/l | <b>EXTRACT:</b>       | 24 g/l  |