

SRC Etna Bianco DOC Societa Agricola Siciliani 2024



Region

Volcanic soils and a maritime influence combine to impart a distinct elegance and mineral character upon the island's wines. Notable for its range of local varieties with Nero d'Avola and Nerello Mascalese making reliable, fleshy red wines, whilst Catarratto, Grillo and Inzolia yield surprisingly well balanced and flavourful white wines. You will also find the more recognised grapes of Syrah and Chardonnay performing really well in this warm Mediterranean climate. However, it is the uniquely rich and mineral influenced dessert wines that are perhaps Sicily's greatest contribution to the wine world, from Marsala to Moscato di Pantelleria and Malvasia.

Producer

Located on the north slopes of Mount Etna, within the prestigious Calderara Scottana area, between 600 - 1000 meters of altitude. SRC own about 11 hectares of mostly old vineyards from 50 to 100 years old, planted on both historic, and more recent (1981) lava flows. A lifelong wine enthusiast (with a background in construction and motorsports, winning the Italian GT Championship aboard a Ferrari F40) Rori together with his wife Cinzia and daughter Sandra, founded SRC in 2012. They follow tradition in the vineyard with work done manually, respecting the natural cycle, and they allow the natural yeasts to ferment the grapes spontaneously in the winery for the best expression of their land.

Tasting Notes

These vines are planted on the Northern side of Etna in the Calderara Sottana area. The blend is mostly made up of Carricante, with a smaller amount of Grecanico at some of the estates highest altitude vineyards up to 700 meters in elevation. The grapes are carefully sorted and have a quick maceration for 6-12 hours, before a spontaneous fermentation in concrete, with minimal use of sulphites. The wine matures on its lees for 10 months. There is a vibrant orange peel, citrus and wild herb character that is underpinned by a crisp and saline palate. This white is flinty with a slight wild side and has generosity and texture as well as the defined and classic minerality that you would expect for Etna.

Food

A beautiful pairing for any seafood, grilled fish and creamy Italian pasta dishes.

Technical Information

Country	Italy	Dry/Sweet Style	Not applicable
Region	Sicily	Alcohol Content	13%
Grape(s)	Carricante (80%) Grecanico (20%)	Closure Style	Cork
Type	White	Organic/Biodynamic	Biodynamic practices
Style	Mineral	Allergens	Milk: No Egg: No
Oaked Style	Unoaked	Vegetarian/Vegan	Vegetarian: Yes Vegan: Yes
Body Style	Medium bodied		
Sustainable	Yes-sustainable practices		



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