

Fondato nel 1469
**FEUDO
MONTONI**
DEL
PRINCIPATO DI VILLANOVA

2023 PERRICONE CORE, IGT TERRE SICILIANE

WINERY

Feudo Montoni has been producing top-quality wines on its historic grounds since 1469. The winery is currently overseen by Fabio Sireci, the third generation of a family dedicated to producing the most refined expressions of this long-cultivated terrior.

WINE

Core is the name of the cru from which the grapes hail. The name has its origins in a vineyard that has always been called, “core,” by the farmers of Montoni. In Sicilian, “core” means heart. In fact, seen from above, the vineyard is the shape of a heart.

VINEYARDS

For centuries, the durum wheat fields have contributed to a “natural isolation” of Montoni’s high-altitude vineyards from the rest of the landscape, creating “an island within an island,” where the ancient grape varieties are protected.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2023 vintage was marked with precipitation that was slightly lower than annual averages. The winter months were significantly drier than usual, while an abundance of rainfall was concentrated in the late spring, which accelerated the vegetable process of the vines, and delayed the flowering process. Hands-on work in the vineyard was essential to ensuring the health of the vineyard. Early summer, rather, was very dry, slowing down the vegetative process of the vines. Rainfall recommenced steadily in August and lasted throughout the harvest, which commenced in mid-September and lasted until the end of October. During the summer months, cool nights offset the hot summer days, allowing for an ample acidity to form in the grapes. The quantity of grapes produced was slightly lower than the 2022 vintage, but the quality was excellent.

WINEMAKING

Fermentation takes place in cement containers. Spontaneous malolactic fermentation takes place completely in cement.

TASTING NOTES

Ruby red in color with light violet reflections. Notes of prune, blueberry, and black pepper, intermingle with those of cocoa and licorice. Fresh, soft and round on the palate with bold tannins that are typical of this variety, well-polished.



VINEYARD

Region:	Sicily
Appellation:	IGT Terre Siciliane
Soil:	Sandy, clay
Age/Exposure:	40 year-old vines; East-facing vineyard
Elevation:	500 meters
Vine Density:	4,400 vines per hectare (10,872 vines per acre)
Certification:	Organic

WINEMAKING

Varietals:	100% Perricone
Aging:	12 months in cement, 3 months in barrels, 6 months in the bottle

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Yeast:	Indigenous
Alcohol:	13.5%
Total Acidity:	4.7 g/L
RS:	0.6 g/L
pH:	3.79