



FEUDO MONTONI



2021 Catarratto del Masso Sicilia DOC

THE STORY

Masso is the name of the cru from which the grapes hail. The name has its origins in the rocky-sandy stone with high components of iron. This strong mineral structure confers to the wine a particular sapidity and freshness.

VARIETAL

Varietal Composition: 100% Catarratto

VINEYARDS

Area of Production: Cammarata (Agrigento)

Altitude: 700 meters (2,297 feet) above sea level

Exposure: East-facing vineyard

Soil composition: Rocky, sandy, iron-rich

Age of the Vineyard: 55 years old vines, grafted by hand onto wild plants

Vine density: 2,600 vines per hectare (1,053 vines per acre)

Training system: Bush vine

Pruning system: Bush vine

HARVEST

Notes: Handpicked and stored in small cases.

VINIFICATION

Fermentation: 100% in cement containers, in contact with the skins for a quarter of the fermentation process.

Aging: Sur lie with batonnage in cement containers for 6 months.

Alcohol: 13.5% | **pH:** 3 | **TA:** 6.20 g/L

THE WINE

Tasting Notes: A golden color with lustrous, green reflections. On the nose, it presents delicate notes of bay leaf, wild fennel, orange flower blossom and Sicilian “lumie” lemons. On the palate, it is very fresh and persistent, with a long finish marked with notes of Sicilian bitter almonds.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2021 vintage was marked with precipitation that was slightly lower than annual averages. Most of the annual rainfall was concentrated in the winter months and in early spring. Late spring and early summer were dry months, slowing down the vegetative phases of the vines. However, the entire vegetative process was accompanied by intense work in the vineyard and concluded regularly. Rainfall recommenced steadily in August and lasted throughout the harvest, which commenced in mid-September and lasted until the beginning of November. During the winter and spring, the temperatures were moderate, however during the summer months, cool nights offset higher-than-average hot summer days, allowing for an ample acidity to form in the grapes. The quantity of grapes produced was slightly superior to the 2020 vintage and the quality was positive.

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