



Tancredi 2002

An elegant red. An affordable luxury

Collection Mediterranean elegance:

Elegant interpretations of the terroir

Tancredi 2002 is composed by two varieties fuse in fine style. The Cabernet gives the Nero d'Avola a touch of mint, enriching its substantial supply of scents. Notes of licorice, cacao, cherries and bilberries against a background of sweet graphite. The flavors are well-structured, full, absorbing and remarkably persistent.

Denomination: Contessa Entellina DOC

Grapes: Nero d'Avola, Cabernet Sauvignon

Production zone: Contessa Entellina Estate and Nearby Areas

Vintage: This was a fairly dry year, with a hot but not overly hot summer. To reach our preset qualitative results, both at Contessa Entellina and on Pantelleria, we had to thin out the vines, relinquishing 20% to 30% of the harvest. This gave us wines with excellent concentration that retained their aromatic finesse.

Harvesting: Manual harvesting of grapes into crates with careful selection of the grapes in the vineyard.

Yield per hectare: 5 – 6 t (2 – 2.4 t/acres)

Vinification: Fermentation in stainless steel and maceration on the skins for 14 days at a temperature of 28 - 30° C (82 - 86° F).

Ageing: 14 months in oak barrique 6 months in bottle

Alcohol and analytical data: alcohol: 13.92%, total acidity: 6 g/l, pH: 3.7

Ageing potential: Over 20 years

First vintage: 1990

Artistic label: If you remember Alain Delon in the famous movie that Luchino Visconti made from Giuseppe Tomasi di Lampedusa's *The Leopard*, you will see that this wine reflects the elegance and ambition of that "revolutionary" man. With the vintage 2015, the label offers a new illustration by artist Stefano Vitale who has dedicated this artwork to Giacomo Rallo, visionary captain of Donnafugata. The Contessa Entellina winery is always there, in the clouds as if it was a mirage: a magical place, where Giacomo began the Donnafugata adventure with his wife Gabriella, and where some of the vineyards that contribute to the Tancredi blend are located. Places where the memory of the man and his dreams, which became reality, will remain indelible.

Food & wine: It will find its best pairing T-bone steak, gourmet burgers and game. Delicious also with beef Stroganoff with mushrooms.