

## The essence of Donnafugata

# Six generations of fine wine

Donnafugata was founded in **Sicily** by a family whose passion has reshaped the style and perception of Sicilian wine worldwide. Giacomo Rallo, the fourth generation of a family **with over 170 years of experience in quality winemaking**, established Donnafugata in 1983 alongside his wife Gabriella, a pioneer of women in viticulture. Today, their children, José and Antonio, lead the company with a team committed to excellence. With Gabriella Favara, the family's sixth generation has now joined the business.

The historic cellars of Marsala, the beating heart of the winery's activities The historic cellars in Marsala were built in 1851: they host an **excellent productive reality** whilst preserving the typical Mediterranean "baglio" layout, including a large and charming inner courtyard, dotted with citrus and olive trees. In the enchanting **underground barrique cellar** we age some of the most **iconic wines** of Donnafugata: the cellar is dug into the tuff rock to minimize the energy consumption and to maintain the desired parameters of temperature (15°C) and humidity (85%) for optimal aging in wood.



## The sustainability

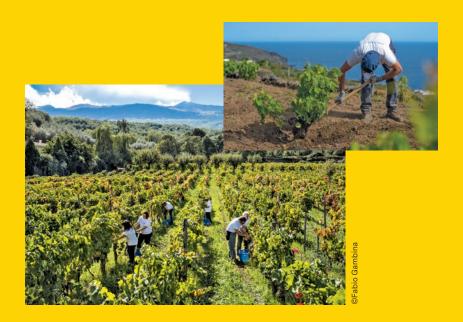
Our commitment to producing while respecting the environment and the human being Sustainability is a value that is part of Donnafugata's DNA. For over 30 years we have been committed to producing wines while respecting the environment and humanity: from good practices in the vineyard to the protection of the biodiversity, from the energy saving to the production of clean energy. In 2021 we strengthened our commitment to Environmental, Social and Governance Sustainability, in line with the objectives of the UN 2030 Agenda, by joining the SOStain Sicily Foundation, the program of sustainability for the Sicilian viticulture.

# Sustainable packaging





Donnafugata was the first in the world to use the Nomacorc Ocean closure, produced by recycling plastic collected in coastal areas in order to **protect** the marine ecosystem. As part of our commitment to sustainability, we have also begun to use "Cento per Cento Sicilia" bottles, predominantly produced on the island of Sicily from recycled glass: a virtuous example of the circular economy promoted by the SOStain Sicilia Foundation and put into practice by O-I Glass. These bottles are also lighter, helping to reduce CO2 emissions and the environmental impact caused by the production process and transportation.



## Creativity and craftsmanship

## Donnafugata and Dolce&Gabbana

Attention to detail and love for Sicily are the core values of the collaboration between Dolce&Gabbana and Donnafugata in which creativity and craftsmanship meet. While **Donnafugata** constantly explores new territories to obtain **extraordinary** wines, **Dolce&Gabbana** and their creativity tell and promote these prestigious products thanks to a unique lifestyle.

Thus was born a collection of wines, extraordinary **ambassadors** of Sicilian colors, scents, and culture in the world: the alluring rosé *Rosa*, the captivating white *Isolano*, the elegant red *Cuordilava*, and the prestigious red *Tancredi*.

#### Iconic wines

We use our knowledge and expertise to create fine small production wines from unique lands and vineyards: our iconic labels are the perfect example. From the hills of Contessa Entellina and other exceptional vineyards, we produce Mille e una Notte, the epitome of style and elegance. From the island of the sun and wind comes Ben Ryé passito, product of the heroic viticulture of Pantelleria. Two wines of extraordinary personality, emblematic of quality Italian craftsmanship in the world.



## Dialogue with art

Name, logo and labels: a tribute to literature

The story of the name "Donnafugata" originates from the most Sicilian of novels: Il Gattopardo (The Leopard). It refers to Queen Maria Carolina who. fleeing from Naples, found refuge where the winery's vineyards are located today. A story that also inspired our logo: a woman's face with her hair in the wind. A face, and a story, that is also that of Gabriella Rallo. One of the first women in Sicily to produce wine in a sector typically dominated by men: a pioneer of highquality women viticulture. Gabriella is also the source of inspiration for the labels designed for Donnafugata by Stefano Vitale. A harmonious understanding the one among Gabriella and Stefano that began in 1992 and has lasted for over 30 years. The artist manages to capture the personality of each wine and evoke the colors and the land of Sicily: an indissoluble part of the essence of Donnafugata.

DONNAFUGATA
The LEOPARD

A new chapter in the dialogue between "Art and Wine", **Mille e una Notte 2021** becomes a Special Edition, blending Donnafugata's revolutionary creativity with a timeless story: *The Leopard* brought to life in the **Netflix** series. It invites you to embark on an imaginative journey to uncover Sicily's most enchanting facets.

The Leopard™/© Netflix. Used with permission.

# Territory and culture

We have been **committed to promoting the territory** for years, by supporting initiatives such as: Scuola Normale di Pisa, Giuseppe Nenci's Prize and Tomasi di Lampedusa Literary Prize. We also collaborate with FAI - Fondo Ambiente Italiano since 2005, with the common objective of safeguarding and promoting the **Italian landscapes**: a partnership strengthened by the restoration and donation of the **Giardino Pantesco** *Pantellerian garden* which raises among the company's vineyards.



## The territories of Donnafugata

5 wineries, one great journey

Sicily is a wine-making continent with over a thousand years of history, and it boasts over 70 indigenous grape varieties and a multitude of extraordinary climates.

5 Cellars where the vinification and ageing process take place Donnafugata's vineyards are cultivated in very different contexts, promoting the potential of the island: from the estates overlooking the sea to those in the hilly and mountainous areas. In our vineyards, we focus on these diversities by finding the best combination between terroir and grape varieties: from the Contessa Entellina estate in Western Sicily and the volcanic island of Pantelleria, up to the Eastern side of Vittoria (Acate) and Etna (Randazzo), the highest active volcano in Europe.

452\*
Hectars of vineyards

Since 2009, we have been committed to **safeguarding** and promoting Sicilian biodiversity through 3 experimental vineyards where we cultivate indigenous grape varieties, including some relics grape varieties today almost extinct.

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3/ Districts

10

Indigenous varieties in production



# Contessa Entellina Estate Where Donnafugata was born

We are in the heart of western Sicily where the vineyards are part of the landscape; the climate is Mediterranean, with sharp temperature differences between day and night. We cultivate indigenous and international grapes aimed at enhancing the peculiarities of the different districts and to produce wines with a strong personality.

- > Loamy-clayey soils
- Cellar: Municipality of Contessa Entellina District of Duchessa

330

Vineyard hectares Hectares of olive groves

19

Grape varieties

10



Mille e una Notte 2021 Special Edition for the Netflix series The Leopard Sicilia Doc Nero d'Avola, Petit Verdot, Syrah



**Mille e una Notte** Sicilia Doc Nero d'Avola, Petit Verdot, Syrah



Tancredi Terre Siciliane Igt Cabernet Sauvignon, Nero d'Avola, Tannat



Angheli Merlot e Cabernet Sauvignon Sicilia Doc Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon



Sedàra Sicilia Doc Nero d'Avola in blend with other grapes



Sherazade Sicilia Doc Nero d'Avola Nero d'Avola



Lumera Sicilia Doc Nero d'Avola, Syrah and Nocera



Rosa Sicilia Doc Rosato Nerello Mascalese, Nocera



Donnafugata Brut Rosé Sicilia Doc Metodo Classico Pinot Nero



Donnafugata Brut Sicilia Doc Metodo Classico Chardonnay and Pinot Nero



**Chiarandà** *Contessa Entellina Doc Chardonnay*Chardonnay



Vigna di Gabri Sicilia Doc Ansonica, Viognier, Lucido, Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay



La Fuga Contessa Entellina Doc Chardonnay Chardonnay



**Passiperduti** Sicilia Doc Grillo Grillo



SurSur Sicilia Doc Grillo Grillo



**Prio**Sicilia Doc Lucido
Lucido



Anthìlia Sicilia Doc Lucido in blend with other grapes



**Damarino**Sicilia Doc
Ansonica, Lucido,
Grecanico, Grillo



**Grappa Mille e una Notte**Pomace from top
quality red grapes



Milleanni
Olio Extravergine
di Oliva
Cultivar Nocellara
del Belice, Biancolilla,
Cerasuola
and Pidiccuddara

# Pantelleria Estate Where the "alberello" vine is UNESCO World Heritage

We fell in love with the **extreme nature** of Pantelleria, a volcanic island between Sicily and Africa, where we started a project of **heroic viticulture**. In Pantelleria the vines are cultivated with the "alberello pantesco" (low-bush vine of Pantelleria), on small terraces, bordered by dry lava stone walls.

- > Sandy soils of volcanic origin
- Cellar: Municipality of Pantelleria District of Khamma

56

Vineyard hectares 8

Hectares of olive groves

1

Grape variety

16



Ben Ryé Passito di Pantelleria Doc Zibibbo



**Kabir** *Moscato di Pantelleria Doc*Zibibbo



**Lighea**Sicilia Doc Zibibbo
Zibibbo



**Grappa Ben Ryé**Pomace from fine
Zibibbo grapes



**Biancolilla**Olio Extravergine di
Oliva
Cultivar Biancolilla

#### Etna Estate

#### On the highest active volcano in Europe

In Eastern Sicily, we cultivate our vineyards on Etna's northern slopes, where the land reveals its immense power. Here, the elegance of volcanic wines reflects the art of mountain winemaking, shaped by a continental climate with Mediterranean influences, terraced vineyards, and dry-stone walls built from volcanic rock.

Vineyard hectares

Hectares of olive groves

Grape varieties

- > Sandy soils of volcanic origin
- > Cellar: Municipality of Randazzo District of Statella



Fragore Etna Rosso Doc Contrada Montelaguardia Nerello Mascalese



Contrada Marchesa Etna Rosso Doc Contrada Marchesa Nerello Mascalese



Cuordilava Dolce&Gabbana Etna Rosso Doc Donnafugata Etna Rosso Doc Nerello Mascalese



Sul Vulcano Nerello Mascalese



Dea Vulcano Etna Rosso Doc Nerello Mascalese



Sul Vulcano Etna Bianco Doc Carricante



Isolano Etna Bianco Doc Carricante



Sul Vulcano Etna Rosato Doc Nerello Mascalese



Nocellara Etnea Olio Extravergine di Oliva Cultivar Nocellara Etnea

#### Vittoria.

# Between the Ibleo plateau and the sea

In southeastern Sicily, we have chosen an area suited for producing smooth red wines with a floral soul, unusual wines capable of innovating the way red wine is enjoyed. It is the Vittoria area, the land of a historic and prestigious denomination that includes the first DOCG in Sicily: Cerasuolo di Vittoria.

- Sandy soils interspersed with limestone tuff
- Cellar: Municipality of Acate District of Bidini

33

Vineyard hectares **3** 

Hectares of olive groves

2

Grape varieties

3



Floramundi Cerasuolo di Vittoria Docg Nero d'Avola Frappato



Contesa dei Venti Vittoria Doc Nero d'Avola Nero d'Avola



Bell'Assai Vittoria Doc Frappato Frappato



**Tonda Iblea** *Olio Extravergine di Oliva*Cultivar Tonda Iblea

## Five wineries, one great journey

#### Visit our estates

At Donnafugata there is an idea of hospitality that interprets the warmth of the most authentic Sicilian culture, the one that makes the guests feel at home. Our philosophy is simple: make our clients live a unique experience, proposing sensorial journeys that unite wines from small prestigious productions and gastronomic specialties from the Sicilian territory.

In a setting of charm and relax, we will guide you to discover the wines of Sicily, the different terroirs and their extraordinary potential.

A unique experience that can be enjoyed all year round at the historic cellars of Marsala, in the Etna (Randazzo) and Vittoria (Acate) estates. Starting from spring the doors will also be open in Contessa Entellina, and since summer in Pantelleria.

Don't miss the two annual events: Cantine Aperte ("Open Cellars"), on the last Sunday of May, and Calici di Stelle ("Goblets of Stars"), on the 10th of August.

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