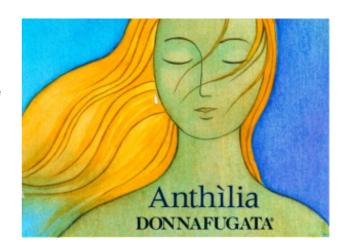
The Beautiful Sicilian...Donnafugata

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The name Donnafugata, translated as "woman in flight" refers to the history of Queen Maria Carolina, wife of Ferdinand IV of Bourbon, who in the early 1800s, fled Naples to escape Napoleons troops and sought refuge in the part of Sicily where the winery's vineyards now stand. This event inspired the winery's logo, the effigy of a woman's windblown head, which can be found on every bottle.

Established in 1983 by Giacomo and Gabriella Rallo, both hailing from century old winemaking families, with their deep insight and passion for the



rich, wine growing history of Sicily, they have been unyielding in their pursuit of excellence earning them an outstanding 7 Gambero Rosso Tre Bicchieri Awards.

Gambero Rosso is a publication on Italian food and wine, with a focus on promoting culinary and winemaking excellence throughout Italy. The Gambero Rosso established a rating guide whereby the 'Tre Bicchieri' or Three Glases is awarded to only the best wines of the vintage.

Each of the wines in the Donnafugata range, tell a story depicted by the colourful, artistic labels and the use of indigenous Sicilian grape varieties such as Nero d'Avola for the reds and Cattarato and Ansonica for the whites. Available the world over, affordably priced and well worth seeking out. Leave a comment if you try any of the Donnafugata wines and tell us what you think.

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