

#### DONNAFUGATA

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# A divine Autumn for Donnafugata

### Appointments not to be missed by Italian wine lovers

*Marsala, October 9, 2007* – Donnafugata is always close to consumers, professional buyers, wine shops and restaurants managers, partly through participation in the most important and traditional events on the Italian enological calendar.

The new editions of the wine guides are presented in the autumn in Italy, often at festivals like that of the "Salone del Vino" in Turin, which attract thousands of passionate wine lovers from all parts of the peninsula.

These are the best occasions for approaching the world of Donnafugata and to hear reports on the production of an estate that has contributed to the Sicilian enological "renaissance". And they offer many opportunities to taste wines that faithfully interpret the territory, whether it is that of the volcanic island of Pantelleria or the countryside around Contessa Entellina in the heart of western Sicily.

Here are the most important appointments in Italy during the next two months:

### AUTOCHTONA - BOLZANO, October 22-23, 2007.

On October 22 and 23 Donnafugata will participate in Autochtona, the 4th forum about wines produced from Italian native grape varieties, which will be held at the Bolzano Fairgrounds from **9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.** 

### SALONE DEL VINO - TURIN, October 26 to 29, 2007.

From October 26 to 29, Donnafugata will be present in the **Lingotto Fiere** for the "Salone del Vino" of Turin from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (from 10 a. m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday). **Donnafugata** will occupy stand **C 29 in Pavilion 2**.

### TRE BICCHIERI TASTING - ROME, October 28, 2007

On Sunday, October 28, Donnafugata will participate in the awards presentation and tasting of wines selected as winners of the TRE BICCHIERI competition of the Vini d'Italia 2008 wine guide of Gambero Rosso and Slow Food Editore. Mille e una Notte 2004 and Ben Ryé 2006 were honored with Tre Bicchieri awards, while Ben Ryé was also declared Sweet Wine of the Year. The awards will be presented and the new edition of the guidebook will be unveiled at the Teatro Olimpico at 17 Piazza Gentile da Fabriano in Rome at 10:30 a.m. The tasting will be conducted at the Città del Gusto, 16 Via Enrico Fermi, in the Italian capital from 3 to 8 p.m.

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### MERANO INTERNATIONAL WINE FESTIVAL - MERANO, November 10-12, 2007.

Donnafugata will be present from November 10 to 12 at the Merano International Wine Festival, which will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the **Kurhaus** at **Merano**. In the section dedicated to the **100 best** Italian producers, Donnafugata will present its Vigna di Gabri 2006, Tancredi 2005, Mille e una Notte 2004 and Ben Ryé 2006. **The Donnafugata stand will be situated at No. 235 on the first floor of the Sala Czerny.** 

### DEGUSTIVINA - PALERMO, November 16-17, 2007.

On November 16 and 17, Donnafugata will participate in the 8th edition of **DEGUSTIVINA**, which will be staged in the **Palazzo Butera in Palermo**. The estate will present the following wines for tasting: Vigna Di Gabri 2006, Chiarandà 2006, Tancredi 2004, Mille e una Notte 2004 and Ben Ryè 2006. The event will be open to the public from 5 to 11 p.m.

### ROME WINE FESTIVAL - ROME, November 16-18, 2007.

From November 16 to 18 Donnafugata will be participating in the Rome Wine Festival. The doors will be open from 1 to 10:30 p.m. in the **Palazzo Ruspoli's Spazio Etoile** in **Piazza San Lorenzo in Lucina in Rome**. The International Wine Academy in Roma and the Guida D'Agata & Comparini are organizing the event. At 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 18, awards will be presented to wines selected by the Price/Pleasure Wine Guide to Italy 2008, a new publication of D'Agata & Comparini dedicated to wines with the best quality/price ratios. That award goes to Donnfugata's Anthilia 2006.

### ITALIAN QUALITY TRADE FAIR - MILAN, November 22-25, 2007.

The first edition of the Italian Quality Trade Fair—Soft Economy Fair will be staged from November 22 to 25 in the **new exposition complex at Rho-Pero on the outskirts of Milan.** The event, is being organized by the Symbola Foundation and Donnafugata will be present with its own stand and a dense calendar of appointments that cannot be missed.

### SENSE OF WINE - ROME, November 29 - December 2, 2007.

From November 29 to December 2 Donnafugata will participate in the Sense of Wine event, which will be held from 12 noon to 9 p.m. in the **Spazio Etoile** of **Palazzo Ruspoli** in **Piazza San Lorenzo in Lucina** in **Rome.** Luca Maroni is organizing the event.

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