



Chiarandà 2003

A Chardonnay with a Mediterranean soul, elegant and long-lived

Collection Mediterranean elegance:
Elegant interpretations of the terroir

Chiarandà 2003 is a wine with personality and elegance, it combines power and gentility. Aromas of ripe yellow fruit, especially apples, and notes of peaches and vanilla fused with peanut butter. The flavor is round and mouth-filling. An imposing structure showing a perfect balance of acidity and sapidity.

Denomination: Contessa Entellina DOC

Grapes: Chardonnay, Ansonica

Production zone: Contessa Entellina Estate and Nearby Areas

Vintage: After 3 years of drought, the 2002-2003 winter provided Sicily average rainfall for the island. This enabled the soil to replenish water reserves, fundamental for the vineyard right from the first stages of development, such as budding and flowering, which took place in the best possible way. The whites and reds achieved a fine balance of body, aroma, freshness and mellowness.

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, at a temperature of 15-16°C (59-61° F).

Ageing: 6 months in barrique 6 months in bottle

Alcohol and analytical data: alcohol: 14.37%, total acidity: 3.48 g/l, pH: 5.8

Ageing potential: Over 15 years

First vintage: 1992

Artistic label: The wine made its debut in 1992 as Chiarandà del Merlo from the names of the two vineyards where the Ansonica and Chardonnay grapes were grown. Ten years later the name has been simplified to Chiarandà and the label has been enriched with a female figure that suggests complexity and refinement.

Food & wine: Perfect with lobster, cream of vegetable soup and smoked fish, we suggest it also with roast quail.