

CULTURE FASHION DOLCE &amp; GABBANA

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## ROUND OUT MFW WITH A TOAST TO SICILIAN EXCELLENCE: DONNAFUGATA X DOLCE & GABBANA

*Discover the captivating collaboration between Sicilian winery Donnafugata and fashion house Dolce & Gabbana, a celebration of heritage, artistry, and exquisite taste*



Photos courtesy of Donnafugata

As Milan Fashion Week comes to a close, the worlds of fashion and wine collide in a unique collaboration between two Sicilian powerhouses: Donnafugata, a family-owned winery, and Dolce & Gabbana, the iconic fashion house. This partnership transcends the boundaries of their respective industries, celebrating shared values of heritage, quality, artistic expression.



white Isolano to the prestigious red Tancredi, each bottle boasts not only exceptional taste but also stunning design, reflecting the meticulous attention to detail inherent in both fashion and fine wine.

The collaboration extends beyond aesthetics, drawing parallels between the creative processes behind them. Both winemaking and fashion design require a mastery of raw materials, be it grapes or threads, that are woven together to create something truly special.

Just like fashion trends shift with the seasons, so too do wine vintages. New collections emerge year after year, ensuring both industries remain fresh and relevant. Additionally, similar to how designers incorporate current trends into their creations, vintners consider consumer preferences and sustainability practices when crafting their blends.

Ultimately, both fashion and fine wine are testaments to human creativity, capable of leaving lasting legacies. They share a universal appeal rooted in quality, cultural significance, and artistic expression, offering a glimpse into the hearts and souls of their creators.

This unique partnership between Donnafugata and Dolce & Gabbana exemplifies the perfect synergy between these two Sicilian icons. It's a testament to their unwavering commitment to excellence, a celebration of their shared heritage, and an invitation to experience a taste of Sicily's rich culture, one sip and stitch at a time!

## **Donnafugata Cuordilava x Dolce & Gabbana Summer 16 Collection: The Carreto Siciliano**





Photos courtesy of Donnafugata

*Dolce & Gabbana drew inspiration from the traditional motifs and styles of the Sicilian Cart to create the graphics of this label and packaging. Similarly, Dolce & Gabbana's Summer 16 collection focused on the uniquely Sicilian tradition, the painted horse and cart.*

**SRP:** \$95

**STYLE & BLEND:** Red; 100% Nerello Mascalese

**PRODUCTION AREA:** Eastern Sicily – North side of Etna

**TASTING NOTES:** Ruby red colored, Cuordilava presents a bouquet of small red fruits, plum and orange zest accompanied by spicy notes (cinnamon) that intertwine with lavender notes, fresh balsamic and undergrowth hints. On the palate it is ample and deep, characterized by well-integrated tannins and elegant minerality; the long finish enhances its extraordinary personality.





## Donnafugata Isolano x Dolce & Gabbana Fall/Winter 2023 Collection: The Essenza



Photos courtesy of Donnafugata

*Dolce & Gabbana drew focus to smoking Mount Etna on the label of this bottle. Dolce & Gabbana's Fall/Winter 2023 Collection also drew on the volcanic stone of Etna and Stromboli to create timeless sartorial cuts adorned with shining crystal embellishments.*

**SRP:** \$53

**STYLE & BLEND:** White; Carricante with a small percentage of other white varieties

**PRODUCTION AREA:** Eastern Sicily – North side of Etna

**TASTING NOTES:** straw yellow color with golden reflections, at the nose presents a  
d bouquet with fragrant citrus scents of lemon zest, notes of broom in bloom ar





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