



ZISOLA SICILIA IGT

COUNTRY Italy
REGION Sicily
GRAPES 100% Nero d'Avola

APPELLATION
NOTABLE

Sicilia IGT
Vegan Gluten Free

DESCRIPTION

The Mazzei family, historic owners of Tuscany's renowned Fonterutoli estate and one of Italy's most highly regarded winemaking families, are proud to present Zisola, an elegant Sicilian red wine of great complexity, concentration and aging potential. Made from Sicily's indigenous Nero d'Avola grape, limited-production Zisola comes from the Mazzei family property in southeastern Sicily, just outside the magnificent town of Noto. Here, in this alluring spot rich in history and culture, the Mazzei family discovered unexpressed winemaking potential and have pioneered an ambitious project to bring that potential to light. In fact, the thumbprint that appears on the label is that of Francesco Mazzei who, together with his father Lapo and his brother Filippo, is dedicated to placing the Mazzei family's mark of uncompromised quality on this exciting viticultural region. Vineyards currently cover approximately 17 hectares of the estate, mainly calcareous soils planted chiefly to Nero d'Avola vines trained in the traditional alberello (free standing) style. The vines enjoy a west/southwest exposure and benefit from a steady sea breeze, which cools the vineyards during the hot summer days and warms the land in the winter. This exceptional microclimate permits ideal ripening of the grapes and yields an elegant, aromatic red wine.

VINIFICATION

Grapes are hand harvested early September and undergo temperature-controlled fermentation in stainless steel tanks at 82-86°F for 14-16 days, with a maceration period of up to 10 days at 68-75°F. Aged for 10 months in French barriques, 1/3 new.

COLOR

Deep ruby red

NOSE

Aromas of wild berries and hints of spice.

PALATE

Medium-bodied, intense flavors of blackberry and dark cherry, accented by notes of violet, pepper and exotic spices.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 13.9%

BOTTLE SIZE

750 ml

SERVING SUGGESTIONS



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