ZISOLA



2020 ZISOLA SICILIA NOTO ROSSO DOC

Established in 1435, the Mazzei family is one of Tuscany's oldest wine dynasties and they have been cultivating vineyards and crafting fine wine for over 600 years, originally in Chianti Classico and now in Maremma, Sicily and Treviso as well. Leading the portfolio today are the Marchesi Mazzei, brothers Francesco and Filippo, as well as Filippo's son Giovanni, the 25th generation. All the estates are farmed to reduce environmental impact and foster sustainability.

In 2003, the Mazzei family discovered Zisola near Noto, famous for its baroque buildings and a Unesco World Heritage Site. Grapes are cultivated "ad albarello, which is the traditional Sicilian head-trained system requiring 400 hours of hand work per hectare each year. The family blends its centuries of experience in Tuscany with the heritage of Noto in Sicily to offer wines of complexity and finesse.

Zisola Rosso is the lead wine from this estate and offers a new style of Nero d'Avola from a region considered the birthplace of the grape. The proximity of the sea and the limestone-rich soil provide a wine that balances exuberance with elegance.

VINTAGE NOTES

A dry, mild winter and spring accelerated bud break and bloom, but rain in June replenished water in the soil before the typical hot, dry summer. Large diurnal temperature swings between night and day allowed the grapes to reach phenolic maturity before harvest started at the end of August.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Appellation: Sicilia Noto Rosso DOC Composition: 100% Nero d'Avola Vineyards: 24 hectares in Southeast Sicily, the land of origin of the Nero d'Avola Elevation: 295 to 430 feet (90-130 m); southeast exposure Soil: Medium texture, calcareous, sandy soil Maturation: 10 months in small French oak barrels (33% new) Alcohol: 12.5% Pack: 6/750ML

