



2022 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.

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

TASTING NOTES

An exuberant wine full of dark fruit and orange zest, and whose density is balanced by freshness and elegance. Pairs with pasta with hearty tomato sauce, BBQ pork, pepperoni pizza and aged Pecorino cheese.

