

NERO D'AVOLA

Sicilia DOC

Prince of the enological re-birth of Sicily, the Nero d'Avola is a very important native varietal. Initially found in Siracusa, it is now found in all of the wine-making areas of the island.

PRODUCTION AREA

Sambuca di Sicilia, in the province of Agrigento, where rich, mature, and structured Nero d'Avola is obtained. It prefers clay-like terrain and is very sensitive to excessive dryness and too much exposure to sunlight. The type of farming is "Espalier", used with an average density of planting where there are 4500 plants per 2.5 Acres.

VINIFICATION

100% Nero d'Avola. It is an average to early varietal maturing around the first week of September.

This wine is obtained from grapes that have reached perfect aromatic and polyphenolic maturation. Destemming and alcoholic fermentation with the skins occurs for 6-8 days at 22-24 degrees. Malolactic Fermentation occurs with selected bacteria, then finally maturation occurs for 6 months in French barriques.

CHARACTERISTICS

Color: Deep ruby-red with pleasant reflections of violet.

Bouquet: Intense and covered, notes of currant stick out, wild strawberries, and pomegranate.

Flavor: Soft and velvety. Distinct characteristics of fruitiness come forth.

ALCOHOL CONTENT

13%

PAIRINGS

Pairs well with Risotto, first courses of baked pasta, red meats, lamb and savory cheeses. For its pleasant structure and intense aromaticity, the Nero d'Avola pairs ideally with typical Sicilian dishes, Spaghetti alla Norma, with eggplant, and smoked ricotta cheese.

SERVING TEMPERATURE

60-64° F



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RATINGS

STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 10 - Silver - Mundus Vini - 2012
STEMMARI Nero D'Avola 11 - Gold - Berliner Wein Trophy - 2012
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 12 - 86 pts/2 - Wine Spectator - 2014
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 13 - 87 pts - Wine Enthusiast - 2015
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 12 - 90 pts - Ultimate Wine Challenge - 2015
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 13 - Silver - International Wine & Spirit Competition - 2015
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 14 - Gold - Berliner Wein Trophy - 2015
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 13 - Silver /2 - CWSA - 2015
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STEMMARI Nero D'Avola 13 - Gold - Berliner Wein Trophy - 2015
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 12 - Great Gold - Concours Mondial de Bruxelles - 2014
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 14 - Gold/2 - Mundus Vini - 2015
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 15 - Gold - China Wine & Spirits Awards - 2016
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 15 - Gold /2 - Mundus Vini - 2016
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 16 - Silver - Mundus Vini - 2017
STEMMARI Nero D'avola 16 - Gold - China Wine & Spirits Awards - 2018
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 16 - Bronze - Decanter Wine Awards - 2018
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 16 - 93 finalist great value - Ultimate Wine Challenge - 2018
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 16 - Silver - International Wine&Spirit Competition - 2018
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 17 - Gold - Berliner Wein Trophy - 2018
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 17 - Gold /2 - Mundus Vini - 2018
STEMMARI Nero d'Avola 16 - 88 pts best buy - Wine Enthusiast - 2018