



Sicilia Rosso 2020



Again from the Contrada San Nicola vineyard outside the village of Mazara del Vallo in western Sicily, we find Nero d'Avola vines tended to by the ever thoughtful Sala sisters. The vines are just 15 years old on average but the wine is ever complex. While some Nero d'Avola wines can be on the dense and fruity side, the Sala sisters and the terroir make this wine a somewhat translucent red with bright acidity, tension, and elegant fruit. As someone who loves Burgundy, this is the style of wine that makes my mouth water.

Signora Dora, great-grandmother of Annamaria and Clara Sala, purchased this land, 130 hectares which she considered paradise, in the beginning of the 1900s. The winery was named "Tenuta Gorgi Tondi" in 2006, representing the strong bond with the territory, adjacent to 3 rounded lakes (the so called "Gorgi Tondi" – a WWF protected site and bird sanctuary). An environment deeply characterized by the sea, karst depressions, and clean energy to protect biodiversity, the winery bans all synthetic chemicals and genetically modified organisms, according to the requirements of the strictest standards of the organic agriculture.

The cellar is located inside a traditional "baglio" in perfect harmony with the vineyards and the surrounding natural context.

Nero d'Avola, the black grape of Avola, has been cultivated in Sicilia since the Greeks brought the plants in the 8th century BC. As all of our wines, this one captures the true terroir of Sicily and is not blended with international varietals nor oaked. Ageing potential 8-10 years but delightful fresh and young.

Vintage: 2020

Size: 750ml

Denominazione: Sicilia DOC

Soil Type: Limestone and sand

Varieties: 100% Nero d'Avola

Age of Vines: 15 years

Farming: Organic

Alcohol: 12.5%

Barrel Details: Stainless steel

SRP: \$18

