



WINEMAKER
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TECHNICAL DATA
Acidity
6.5 g/L - pH: 3.18
Alcohol
13.0%

PLANETA

ERUZIONE 1614 CARRICANTE, SICILIA DOC 2017

BACKGROUND

Planeta encompasses six distinct wine estates across Sicily, each one inspired and constructed in harmony with its surroundings and dedicated to its terroir. Planeta's journey begins at Sambuca di Sicilia, on the estate owned by the family since the 1600s. Here on Italy's most enchanting island, three enthusiastic young Sicilians, Alessio, Francesca and Santi Planeta, under the guidance of Diego Planeta, began their winemaking venture in the mid-1980s. Subsequent years were spent matching the extraordinarily diverse Sicilian soils with both indigenous and international varieties. Years of careful research paid off when the Planeta wines were met with immediate critical acclaim upon introduction in the U.S. in the late 1990s.

APPELLATION

Sicily, Italy

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

90% Carricante, 10% Riesling

TERROIR & VINTAGE NOTES

The history of Etna is studded with the historic eruptions which have shaped it. The eruption of 1614 was legendary, lasting ten years and the longest ever recorded, halting just on the border of the vineyards of Sciaranuova. Eruzione 1614 is a name strongly evocative of our Cru dell'Etna; Carricante with a small addition of Riesling. High altitude black soils confer a fresh, savoury and mineral style.

The land has perfect aspect and position, black soils with lava sands and due to these extraordinarily rich minerals; surrounded by woods and more recent lava flows.

WINEMAKING

Grapes were harvested from October 5 – 25 and picked into crates and immediately refrigerated at 8°C. Grapes are selected by hand and sent for light destalking and soft pressing; the decanted must is raked, inoculated with yeasts and fermented at 15°C in inox stainless steel. The wine remains on the fine lees until March with continuous stirring.

TASTING NOTES

An explosion of aromas of ripe fruit and the aromatic content of white flowers which magically transport the taster to the slopes of Etna.

The wine manages to combine softness and strength with a drinkable richness, with fruit flavours of lemon peel and green apple linked to an endearing mineral power which prolongs the finish.

An extraordinary companion for dishes based on fish of a certain oiliness and thus ideal for any gastronomic experience encountered by the sea.

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