



Etna Bianco

Country:	Italy	Region:	Sicily
Type:	White	Varietal:	Carricante
Format:	6 x 750ml		

BC	AB	SK	MB
2015/2016			
+28718			
Speculative			

TASTING NOTES

Colour: Dark straw-yellow.

Aroma: Stone fruits, herbs and wildflowers.

Taste: Bright, juicy flavours of stone fruits, lemon and sweet botanical herb. The long, saline finish offers intriguing hints of rosemary, minerals and cardamom.

Food: Antipasti, fish, seafood.

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

2014 ~ 90+ Points. "Although I am a longstanding fan of Benanti's wines, I have never previously reviewed this wine for publication (despite the fact it has been in production since 1994). The 2014 Etna Bianco is a pure expression of Carricante, with fruit from the East flank of the volcano in Milo. Vineyards here are located 700 to 800 meters above sea level. A second portion of fruit comes from Santa Maria di Licodia (at 950 meters above the Mediterranean). The wine opens to pretty and soft layers of stone fruit and pear. It boasts a very immediate, refreshing and drinkable style." - Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate, Aug/2017

2014 ~ 91 Points. "Dark straw-yellow. Stone fruits, herbs and wildflowers on the enticing nose. Then rich, dense and deep on the palate, with bright, juicy flavors of stone fruits, lemon and sweet botanical herb. The long, saline finish offers intriguing hints of rosemary, minerals and cardamom." - Antonio Galloni's Vinous, Oct/2015

OTHER INFO

Carricante 100%, grown as alberello (free standing bush). This indigenous vine is cultivated only on Etna. Its name seems to be attributed by the vine-growers of Viagrande because of its characteristics of allowing a good, constant production over the years. The bunches, at ripeness are of average length, usually scattered; the grape is medium-sized with very pruinose skin and a green-yellowish colour.



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