



BARONE DI VILLAGRANDE ETNA ROSSO CRU "CONTRADA VILLAGRANDE" 2017

Award Winning Wine

Certificate of Excellence and 93 points

Robert Parker
WINE ADVOCATE

ETNA ROSSO CONTRADA

VILLAGRANDE The first thing you perceive is the perfume of Volcano, flowers fruits and balsamic scents coming from the two years in the chestnut barrels. A chestnut wood that comes straight from the estate's forest, that has been watching the grapes for its entire journey from the vineyard to the bottle. The tasting feeling is surprising, because the tannins of the wood - that is fundamental - is combined with an unusual touch of vivacity, obviously gentle and elegant.

REVIEW : Robert Parker (Wine advocate) : **Rating 93 Points**

92pts Wine Pilot:

"This blend of 80% Nerello Mascalese with the remainder made up of Nerello Cappuccio and Nerello Mantellato is classic Etna, immediately bursting with smoky and new tar aromas backed by juicy red cherry pip plus a stony minerality that adds a deliciously savoury feel. There is a delightful initial elegance to the fruit flavours, more smoke, earth and red fruits before juicy acidity and firm tannins rise up to support a long, savoury finish. Great value for an Etna Cru and it will drink well for some time to come."

Production Area : Milo Contrada Villagrande (700 m)

Exposure : South-East

Grape Variety : Nerello Mascalese 80%, Nerello Cappuccio and Nerello Mantellato 20%

Training System : Guyot, density 7000 vines per hectare

Yield : 40 HL per hectare

Refinement : 500L Chestnut barrels for 24 months, 12 months in bottle.

Serving Temperature : 16-18° C

Sight : Ruby Red, Shiny and Flowing.

Nose : Violet and red berries sensations that evolve in further balsamic and herbs complexity.

Mouth : Elegant and balanced on the mouth, persistent minerality and well balanced tannin, persistent aftertaste of red fruits, pot herbs and spices.

Pairings : Main dishes of slowly cooked meats. Brilliant with Nebrodi's cold cuts and sweet and sour dishes.

Notes / It's made only on special millesimes, when the territory gives a perfect balance and circumstances to make a special wine.

Guaranteed for twenty years from the harvest.