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*Experience Italy in a Wine glass*



## Archineri Etna Rosso DOC

100% Nerello Mascalese. Ripe and fruity on the nose, with distinct spicy and balsamic nuances. On the palate, it shows excellent volume, depth, and structure, plus a great mouthfeel and simultaneous finesse; clean, consistent, and persistent finish.

*"At the heart of our philosophy is a love for our land which is equalled by the respect with which we treat it. Pietradolce is a boutique winery that works in traditional ways, using mostly pre-Phylloxera vineyards at 900 meters (about 3,000 feet) above sea level on the northern slopes of Mount Etna."*

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**Wine exported to:** Canada, USA, Singapore, Australia, Turks and Caicos

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## Most recent awards

**KERIN O'KEEFE:** 94

**WINE ENTHUSIAST:** 93

**VINOUS:** 93

**DECANTER:** 93

**GAMBERO ROSSO:** tre bicchieri

**JAMES SUCKLING:** 93

**WINE ADVOCATE:** 93

**WINE SPECTATOR:** 90



## Winemaking and Aging

Grape Varieties:	100% Nerello Mascalese
Fermentation container:	Concrete tanks
Length of alcoholic fermentation:	8 days
Type of yeast:	Cultivated
Fermentation temperature:	22-28 °C (71.6-82.4 °F)
Maceration technique:	Traditional
Length of maceration:	18 days
Malolactic fermentation:	Yes
Aging containers:	Oak barrels
Container size:	700 Lt
Container age:	2-6 years old
Type of oak:	French, fine-grained, light toast
Bottling period:	June
Aging before bottling:	14 months
Aging in bottle:	3 months

Closure: Natural Cork

## Vineyard

Organic: Yes

Vineyard name: Archineri

Vineyard location: Solicchiata, Mount Etna, Sicily

Vineyard size: 2 hectares (5 acres)

Soil composition: Volcanic, stony, sandy loam

Vine training: Alberello

Altitude: 850 meters (2,788 feet) above sea level

Vine density: 9,000 plants per hectare

Yield: 25-30 q.li/Ha

Exposure: Northern

Years planted: 1929, 1939

Age of vines: Pre-Phylloxera 80-90 years old

Time of harvest: Mid-October

First vintage of this wine: 2007

Total yearly production (in bottles): 8,000

## Tasting Notes and Food Pairings

Tasting notes: Lush and fruity on the nose, with distinct spicy and balsamic nuances; on the palate, excellent volume, depth and structure, great mouthfeel and finesse; clean, consistent and lengthy finish.

Serving temperature:	Best served at 16-18 °C (60.8-64.4 °F).
Food pairings:	A wonderful match for Pasta alla Norma (pasta with tomato, eggplant and ricotta salata) and red meat.
Aging potential:	Up to 15 years
Alcohol:	Alc. Cont. by Vol.: 14%
Winemaker:	Michele and Mario Faro