

## AZIENDA AGRICOLA MURGO Etna Bianco

The first artisans to champion Nerello Mascalese as a sparkling wine and certainly one of Sicily's oldest winemaking clans, the Scammacca del Murgo family has for more than a century cultivated grapes as well as olive and fruit trees in Santa Venerina, on the east coast of the island. Grown on the fiery volcanic slopes of Mount Etna, this velvety yet vibrant white wine showcases the freshness and pure fruit of Sicily's native white grapes, Carricante and Catarratto.

WINERY: Azienda Agricola Emanuele Scammacca del Murgo

WINEMAKERS: Michele Scammacca del Murgo

**ESTABLISHED:** 1850

**REGION:** ITALY • Sicily • Santa Venerina

**APPELLATION:** Etna DOC

**BLEND:** 70% Carricante and 30% Catarratto

**VINEYARDS:** Terraced, estate-owned vineyards on the eastern volcanic slopes of Mount Etna, near the town of Santa Venerina, at 1,600 to 2,000

feet above sea level. Soils are exclusively decomposed lava.

**AGE OF VINES:** 30 to 40 years

**WINEMAKING**: Hand-harvested. Destemmed; cold maceration (four hours) before pressing. Fermented on selected yeasts in temperature-controlled, stainless steel tanks; aged in tank for six months.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of jasmine and yellow flowers; plush yet

lively, with good acidity; rich, intense citrus and apricot flavors

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Grilled saltwater fish: fresh calamari.

