

2016 Archineri Etna Bianco

Pietradolce, Sicily, Italy

Product details

Vintage:	2016
Producer:	Pietradolce
Region:	Sicily
Country:	Italy

Drinking: Alcohol: Variety:

2020 2026 13.50%

Tasting notes

From vines planted over a century ago on sandy loam soils at over 850m on Etna's vertiginous slopes, this is a remarkable expression of the indigenous Carricante grape. Detailed notes of white peach, lemon, lime and soft sage create a full and distinct aroma which leads to an elegant, intense mouthfeel; stony, chalky minerals fill the palate which has a fine texture thanks to some gentle lees stirring. **Armit Wines**

Reviews

"Tasted in the summer of 2022, this library wine shows impressive tension and tonic freshness. Made solely with Carricante, the 2016 Etna Bianco Archineri maintains a light and luminous shine. The bouquet has started to transition to some Riesling-like aromas of petroleum wax and dried nectarine. This is an impressive white that shows no signs of slowing down."

94 points, Monica Larner, Wine Advocate

About the producer

One of the rising stars in our portfolio, since its founding in 2005 Pietradolce has come to own one of the largest collections of pre-phylloxera vines on the active volcano Mt Etna – which are up to 120 years old. This ancient mountain commands the winery's devotion and respect, the energy and nuance of the volcanic soils producing truly phenomenal wines. Owner Michele Faro and winemaker Giuseppe Parlavecchio focus exclusively on local varieties Nerello Mascalese and Carricante, producing a range of pure, terroir-driven wines roughly structured as Village, Premier Cru, and Grand Cru. While the do offer an elegance and depth reminiscent of great Burgundy, they offer incredible value compared to the Cote d'Or.

