



## Passopisciaro, Contrada "S" 2013



Blend: 100% Nerello Mascalese

Vineyard age: 80 years

Vineyard area: 1 hectare

Vineyard density: 8,000 vines/Ha

Vineyard altitude: 850 m asl

Yield per hectare: 20 Hl/Ha

Fertilization: None

Spraying: Propolis, clay,  
grapefruit seed extract

Vinification: Alcoholic  
fermentation in stainless steel  
vats for 15 days

Aging: MLF followed by 18  
months aging in large, neutral  
oak barrels

Bottling: waning moon of April  
2015

Production: 2,100

This Contrada is located at 850 m/2,800 ft a.s.l. on Mount Etna and lays on relatively new lava flow (400 years old) that has turned into thick gravel – in Sicilian, “sciara nuova” means “new lava flow.” The wines produced from this site are deep, large fleshed and have a rich taste of fermented hay. We own 1 hectare of this cru.

### 2013 VINTAGE

Throughout Europe, 2013 was a cold and delayed vintage, resulting in lighter wines this vintage. In Contrada S, the mineral characteristics, varietal notes of marzipan and camphor, and red-fruited aromas are well preserved. The flavors are powerful and ripe while in its youth. We picked in this Contrada on the 25th of October.