



# BENANTI

*(2014 Etna Rosso Rivittello)  
"Brooding aromas and flavors  
hint at pencil shavings, red  
currant jelly, red cherry nectar,  
yellow flowers, coffee and  
herbs. Dense and tactile but  
also very fruity in the mouth,  
expressing a noteworthy steely  
quality.. Ought to age  
splendidly." 95+ points, Ian D'Agata,  
Vinous (August 2019)*

*"The 2015 Etna Bianco  
Superiore Pietra Marina (100%  
Carricante) is just so lovely.  
The wine is ethereal, light and  
delicate. On first nose, you get  
precise aromas of white peach,  
zesty pear and blanched  
almond. As the wine fleshes out  
and takes on more volume in  
the glass, it displays a beautiful  
array of mineral nuances.  
Those salty flinty notes will  
continue to evolve over the next  
ten years." 93 points, Monica Lerner,  
The Wine Advocate (December 2018)*

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Sicilia, Italy

<http://vinicolabenanti.it>

The Benanti winery was founded in 1988 by Giuseppe Benanti, a pharmaceutical entrepreneur from Catania who decided to turn his family's long standing traditional passion into an ambitious and challenging new venture. Wine had been produced by the family for several generations, mostly for private consumption, until Giuseppe finally decided to establish the winery with the aim of preserving the unique terroir of Etna's volcanic slopes, whilst cherishing and developing the indigenous Etnean varieties.

The winery is now run by Giuseppe's two sons Antonio and Salvino who have continued the original aim to respect the varietal characteristics of the Etnean varieties, by adopting and maintaining a very traditional approach and philosophy. Describing their wines as 'slow wines', the brothers ensure nothing is rushed in Benanti winemaking; they are committed to producing only high quality wines from vineyards located on different slopes of Mount Etna, so as to highlight the uniqueness of the many different terroirs within the Etna DOC region. The family now owns vineyards in different DOC areas to the north, south, and east of the Etnean massif allowing them to produce an intriguing range of wines from the indigenous varieties Nerello Mascalese, Nerello Cappuccio, Carricante and Minnella.

The area provides a unique microclimate due partly to the proximity to the sea, partly to the volcanic soil and also to the cone-shaped surface of the slopes which provide excellent exposure to the sun. The sea breezes and the altitude ensure the grapes are cooled in what would otherwise be a very hot climate, and therefore the ripening process reaches its full potential but, crucially, without being rushed.

Benanti is considered both an iconic producer and a pioneer that has set a very high standard and has certainly inspired other wineries. With a history of 22 harvest seasons on Etna, Benanti has worked every day with an ever-increasing passion to perfect the presentation of Etna both as a land and a community, and its native grape varieties.

Code	Label name	Vintage	Alcohol	Closure type	Case size
<b>White Wine</b>					
BE0118	Etna Bianco	2018	12.0%	Cork	6X0.75lt
BE0215	Etna Bianco Superiore 'Pietra Marina'	2015	13.0%	Cork	6X0.75lt
<b>Red Wine</b>					
BE0617	Etna Rosso	2017	13.0%	Cork	6X0.75lt
BE1314	Etna Rosso 'Serra della Contessa'	2014	13.5%	Cork	6X0.75lt
BE0814	Etna Rosso Cru 'Rovittello'	2014	13.5%	Cork	6X0.75lt