



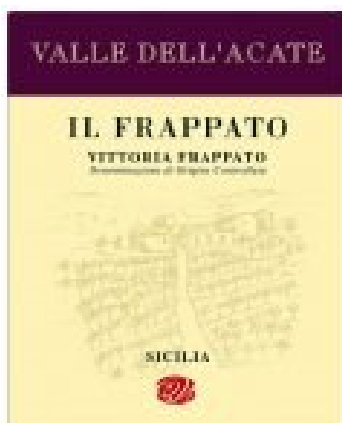
VALLE DELL'ACATE

Sicilia

Valle dell'Acate has a long history amongst the top estates in Sicily, as the Jacono family can trace back their winemaking roots here to the nineteenth century. Located in the southeastern corner of Sicily, in the hills of the Dirillo Valley, the estate comprises over 100 hectares of land, both for grapevines and Sicily's famous blood oranges. Many of the vineyards have been replanted to the great traditional grapes of Sicily which are farmed organically. They produce one of the finest examples of Cerasuolo di Vittoria, traditionally Sicily's greatest wine the first red in all of Sicily to achieve DOCG status.

Valle d'Acate "Il Frappato", Sicilia 2009

Il Frappato is 100% Frappato, aged in stainless steel tank to retain this varietal's lively red-fruited, highly-aromatic and floral profile. As is typical of this grape, the wine is light to medium-bodied and delivers a lovely base of soil tones from the calcaire, sandstone and clay strata of soils that lie beneath the estate's vineyards. Low trained on wires system, spur pruned cordon, the grapes are de-stemmed and crushed, the fermentation is at a controlled temperature of 28-29 °C in open steel vats for 5-6 days of maceration on the skin; malolactic fermentation in stainless steel vessels. Aged 6 Months in steel tank and 3 Months in the bottle.



Light red ruby. Fragrant, fresh and bursting out, intense notes of bilberry, blackberry, raspberry. Flavors bright and fresh, light but persistent; with the small black and red fruit in the palate too. Serve with starters with seasoned and cheeses, cold cut and game pâté, recommended with fish dishes

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