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2017 Graci Etna Bianco

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Release Price Rating **Drink Date Producer:** Graci

90 NA 2018 - 2022 From: Italy, Sicily, Etna

Reviewed by Issue Date Source Color: White

The 2017 Etna Bianco is a blend of 70% Carricante with 30% Catarratto. Compared to many of its peers, this expression from Graci offers more textural richness and fruity volume. The bouquet delivers stone fruit, honeydew melon and candied lemon peel. This was a hot vintage, and that extra intensity is apparent here.

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Type: Table

Sweetness: Dry

Type: Table

Variety: Proprietary Blend

2017 Graci Etna Rosato

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Opening to a pale and very elegant pink color, the Graci 2017 Etna Rosato is a Sweetness: Dry satisfying rosé to pair with shellfish or summer salads. There is a note of Type: Table sweetness, like raspberry tart on the finish. This is an easy wine but also a very

refreshing one.

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Color: Rosé

Variety: Nerello Mascalese

2016 Graci Etna Rosso

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Release Price Drink Date Rating Producer: Graci

2018 - 2024 90 NA From: Italy, Sicily, Etna

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Type: Table

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Sweetness: Dry

The Graci 2016 Etna Rosso is a mid-weight wine from the Sicilian volcano with pretty berry nuances followed by smoke, tar and light spice. The wine is moderate in mouthfeel intensity with polished, silky tannins. This vintage presents a more informal and accessible style that is ideal for near and medium-term drinking.

Type: Table

Variety: Nerello Mascalese

2016 Graci Etna Rosso Arcurìa

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date	Producer: Graci
92	NA	2018 - 2028	From: Italy , Sicily , Etna , Castiglione
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The 2016 Etna Rosso Arcurìa offers tight berry nuances with firm contours of volcanic smoke, tar and licorice that frame its fruity core. Across the appellation, the 2016 vintage tends to show thinner, less imposing wines. This expression from the Arcurìa cru, however, maintains its firmness and focus, while also showing sophisticated aromatic finesse.

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Sweetness: Dry

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Variety: Nerello Mascalese

2016 Graci Etna Bianco Arcurìa

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date	Producer: Graci
91	NA	2018 - 2024	From: Italy , Sicily , Etna , Castiglione
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The 2016 Etna Bianco Arcurìa shows a layered bouquet with ripe fruit, stone fruit and candied lemon. This vintage seems to have produced a creamier, slightly heavier style. The mouthfeel is moderate in length with medium acidity on the close.

Sweetness: Dry

Type: Table

Type: Table

Variety: Carricante

2016 Graci Etna Rosso Feudo di Mezzo

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date	Producer: Graci
92	NA	2018 - 2028	From: Italy , Sicily , Etna , Castiglione
Reviewed by	Issue Date	Source	di Sicilia

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Alberto Graci is one of the few vintners on Etna who has successfully captured the grace and elegance of a somewhat subdued vintage such as this. The 2016 Etna Rosso Feudo di Mezzo offers a level of depth and sharpness that leaves me happily surprised. The aromas stand upright and determined with dried cassis and black currant followed by cigar ash and crushed stone. This is a midweight red with lasting flavor persistence.

Type: Table

Sweetness: Dry

Type: Table

Variety: Proprietary Blend

2014 Graci Quota 1000 Barbabecchi

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date	Producer: Graci
96	NA	2019 - 2035	From: Italy , Sicily , Terre Siciliane
Reviewed by	Issue Date	Source	Color: Red
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Alberto Graci has created a gorgeous wine—the best I have yet tasted from his winery—in the form of the 2014 Quota 1000 Barbabecchi. This wine represents many of the ideals that I would imagine finding if I were in front of the archetypal Etna Rosso. By the way, because these vineyards are about the appellation limit of 1,000 meters above sea level, this wine is technically not in the appellation. Funny how that works out, because this wine is indeed so reflective of that specific Etna identity. I tasted this wine twice: once when I first opened the bottle and once again 12 hours later. I did this with all my topscoring reds in this report. This vintage is powerful, tonic, dry and tart. It offers a graceful, almost fragile first impression but then delivers a song succession of berry, smoke and ash flavors that drive the very long finish.

Sweetness: Dry

Type: Table

Variety: Nerello Mascalese