

Antonella Corda,
Vermentino di Sardegna 2022
Sardinia, Italy



Grape Varieties	100% Vermentino
Winemaker	Antonella Corda
Closure	Synthetic Cork
ABV	14%
Bottle Sizes	75cl

PRODUCER

Antonella Corda, the granddaughter of the famed viticulturalist Antonio Argiolas, founded her winery in 2010 after finishing her masters in viticulture and winemaking at the prestigious Edmund Mach Foundation. Her approach blends a proud, century-old family tradition of winemaking with ambition and innovation. Antonio, who lived to the age of 104, left Antonella two of his prized vineyards, located around the village of Sordiana, a few kilometres north of Cagliari. The mild climate, water availability and the rich calcareous soils here give the wines a unique character and a signature freshness. Antonella follows a sustainable approach and the vineyards are farmed organically.

VINEYARDS

The fruit for this wine comes from Antonio Argiolas (Antonella Corda's grandfather and Sardinian famed viticulturist) favourite vineyard: Mitza Manna. The seven hectare vineyard sits at 200 metres above sea level. The soil here is marly limestone and clay, which helps to maintain the freshness and delicate aromas of the Vermentino. Plants are trained with Guyot system and planted at a density of 4545 plants per hectare. Located just 20 kilometres from the Mediterranean sea, the vineyard benefits from cooling winds that keep the vines clean from fungal diseases.

VINTAGE

The 2022 vintage in Sardinia was incredibly warm and dry. The high temperatures caused stress for the vines, but ultimately mitigated the risk of disease. The rains came as a relief towards the end of the summer, providing excellent balance to the grapes, resulting in a high quality harvest.

VINIFICATION

All grapes were hand picked. The grapes were destemmed and gently pressed in a vacuum press. All of the vinification was carried out in the absence of oxygen, instead using dry ice to preserve the aromas and reduce the use of SO₂. Part of the must underwent a period of pre-fermentation maceration for six hours, before all of the must was fermented at controlled temperatures for 15 days in stainless steel tanks. The wine was then aged for six months on fine lees in stainless steel before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

The nose is fragrant and intense, resembling a Mediterranean garden, with aromas of orange blossom, grapefruit, lemon, sage and capers. On the palate, a vibrant acidity marries notes of sea salt, complete with a long, complex finish.