



# Chardonnay Sicilia Menfi DOC 2022

## BACKGROUND

Planeta's journey began at Sambuca di Sicilia, on the estate owned by the family since the 1600s. Here, three enthusiastic young Sicilians, Alessio, Francesca and Santi Planeta, under the guidance of Diego Planeta, began their winemaking venture in the mid-1980s. Subsequent years were spent matching the extraordinarily diverse Sicilian soils with both indigenous and international varieties. Planeta today encompasses six distinct wine estates in five regions across Sicily; Ulmo at Sambuca di Sicilia, Dispensa at Menfi, Dorilli at Vittoria, Buonivini at Noto, Sciarra Nuova on Etna at Castiglione di Sicilia, and the newest addition, La Baronica at Capo Milazzo. Each vineyard site is carefully cultivated with grapes that best compliment the local terroir. Didacus is Planeta's vision of wine: elegance and tradition, the family and the future. Sicily as it has always been...

## TERROIR & VINTAGE NOTES

Sicily and Planeta recorded a great quality 2022 harvest. A dry summer determined extremely healthy grapes, with a very low fungal load. This was a harvest that - despite extreme weather conditions - magically balanced out: the very heavy late autumn rains made up for the winter drought. The high average temperatures of June and July were offset by an ideal August through October.

## WINEMAKING & AGING

The grapes are de-stemmed and crushed; the juice is clarified through cold settling overnight and then inoculated with selected yeast. The fermentation and ageing in 225-liter French oak barrels -carefully and precisely judged- delivers a wine unique for its grace and power.

## TASTING NOTES

A pure expression of Chardonnay executed in a beautifully Burgundian style, complete with a sunny Sicilian twist. The wine shows precision and focus, yet it offers a generous array of stone fruit and floral aromas along the way. As the wine takes on more weight in the glass, it begins to reveal rounder and more opulent tones of Sicilian almond, candied fruit, orange peel, anise seed, and salty mineral tones that recall the soft sea breezes that wash gently over Menfi in the southern part of the island.



750ML



# PLANETA

## ORIGIN

Sicilia Menfi DOC, Sicily, Italy

## GRAPE VARIETIES

100% Chardonnay

## SIZES

750ml

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

ABV: 13.5%, TA: 5.5, Ph: 3.28, Closure: Cork

## WINEMAKER

Patricia Toth

