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Tasting Room

Wines of Sicily Tasting 2013

Santa Tresa Rina Ianca Bio 2012, IGP Terre Siciliane

This fresh blend of organic Grillo and Viognier is a versatile food wine with its noticeable salinity and savoury tanginess on the palate. Crisp acidity and a clean mineral finish mean it will be a great palate cleanser too. JS
£6.75, *Vintage Roots*, 0118 932 6566

Coralto Inzolia 2012, Baglio Curatolo Arini 1875, IGP Terre Siciliane

Made from 100% Inzolia, this summery wine has appealing notes of freshly sliced pineapple on the nose and palate, with an attractive herbaceousness and zesty notes of lemon and lime. JS
£8.60, *Liberty Wines*, 020 7720 5350



Zisola 2011, IGT

Warm spice and mulberry fruit aromas lead to a rich black fruit palate with nicely integrated tannins on this 100% Nero d'Avola. Try it with hearty winter dishes. JS
£10.30, *Maisons Marques et Domaines*, 020 8812 3380

I (heart) Organic Sud de France Tasting

Domaine Turner Pageot

A really interesting pair of wines from this Australian-French husband and wife team making some food-friendly biodynamic wines. **Le Blanc** (Rousanne/Marsanne blend), partly fermented on skins, begins with some substantial apricot notes. The palate starts out lighter and fresher than expected, leading into some texture and savouriness, all lifted by some bright acidity. **Le Rouge** (Grenache Noir/Syrah blend) is savoury from the outset, with some smoky, almost leathery notes. There's nevertheless some light, attractive fruit, as well as a floral, perfumed note in there too, which continues through to the palate, along with some distinctive tannins. CC
Expression du Terroir, 0207 241 1881

Domaine Virgile Joly, Virgile Rouge 2002

This is showing some excellent development, with plenty of umami/mushroom notes, alongside some preserved fig fruit character. More juicy, developed fruit, like dried apricots, on the palate, providing a great, full mouthfeel and gentle, integrated tannins. CC
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All prices ex-VAT trade unless specified.