



Akrille Cutrera Bastianich Grillo

Overview

- Born where ancient Greeks once tread, Akrille's Grillo springs to life from sun-drenched hillside vineyards perched 400–600 meters above the Sicilian sea. Rocky limestone soils and cool mountain breezes impart a burst of white flowers, zesty citrus, and ripe pineapple, with a crisp, mineral finish. Lively, refreshing, and undeniably Sicilian.

Appellation: Sicilia DOC

Type: White, dry

Varietal: 100% Grillo

Winemaking and Vineyard Notes

Production Area: Sourced from hillside vineyards at 400–600 meters in Chiaramonte Gulfi, Ragusa. Rocky calcareous soils and pronounced diurnal temperature swings preserve natural acidity and build aromatic complexity.

Elevation: 400–600 meters above sea level.

Harvest: Clusters are hand-harvested in late August, followed by a brief cold maceration and temperature-controlled fermentation in stainless steel tanks.

Tasting Notes

Color: Brilliant straw yellow with greenish reflections.

Bouquet: White flowers, citrus zest, green apple, and a subtle herbal lift.

Palate: Crisp and focused with pronounced sapidity and mineral tension. Flavors of lemon, green pear, and pineapple carry through to a long finish with lingering jasmine.

Alcohol: 13%

Serving Temperature: Chilled 16–18° C (60–64° F).

Food Pairing

Grilled branzino with capers, crispy fried calamari, or a platter of fresh ricotta and light antipasti.



Akrille is a project borne of friendship anchored in history, and aimed squarely at the future of Sicilian wine. It is the dream realized of Salvatore Cutrera, well-acclaimed for the award-winning Gambero Rosso "Tre Foglie" extra virgin olive oil and Joe Bastianich, Italian-American restaurateur and winemaker. The name Akrille reaches back to the ancient origins of Chiaramonte Gulfi, a sun-drenched hilltop town in the province of Ragusa in southeastern Sicily, where the old millstone of the Cutrera family once stood — and where today the Akrille winery has come roaring back to life, planted squarely in the heart of the Cerasuolo di Vittoria DOCG, the only Sicilian DOCG.