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50 YEARS OF SALICE SALENTINO PDO

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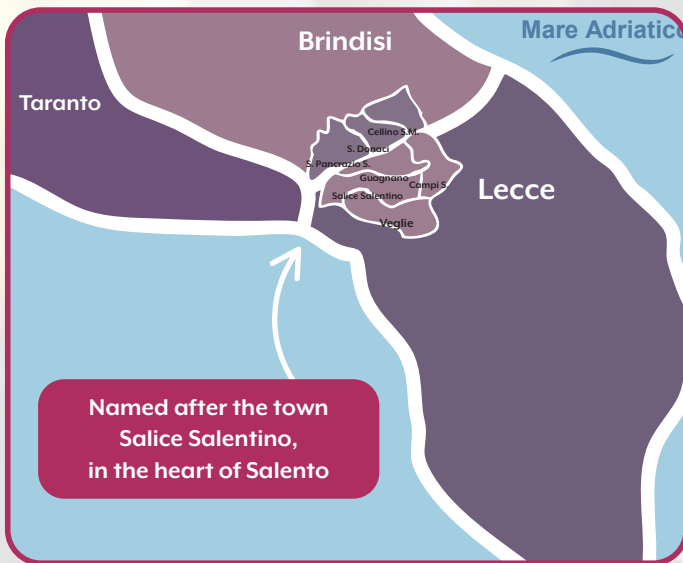
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CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF

- ✓ CRAFTSMANSHIP
- ✓ TRADITION
- ✓ ROOTS



Established in 1976



Roots in classical antiquity



PRINCIPAL GRAPE VARIETIES:
Negroamaro & Malvasia Nera



92,5% RED WINE PRODUCTION

46,5% Rosso
13% Rosso Negroamaro
33% Rosso Riserva

6,5% ROSÉ WINE PRODUCTION
of which 0,5% sparkling

1% WHITE WINE PRODUCTION

We are honored to represent the historic Salice Salentino PDO at the European Parliament in Brussels as it celebrates its 50th anniversary. It is a great source of pride for us to share, in this distinguished setting, the story that our winegrowers and producers craft every day, representing an entire community, and to highlight the important role of the Consortium in protecting and promoting this heritage.

Damiano Reale, President of the Consorzio di Tutela Vini D.O.P. Salice Salentino

The Salice Salentino designation has carried the name of our town around the world and can represent an opportunity for economic development, enhancement of the rural landscape, and growth of wine tourism. We look to the past with pride and to the future with confidence, certain that our wine will continue to be an ambassador of identity, quality, and beauty.

Cosimo Leuzzi, Mayor of the Municipality of Salice Salentino

The environmental regeneration of Salento is a horizon within reach. Thanks to the value of our entrepreneurs, we are shaping the future and preparing a season of well-being for our children, following paths of excellence and distinctiveness in our agri-food resources.

The only possible way to affirm the quality of our agriculture.

Pantaleo Piccinno, President of the Jonico-Salentino Agri-Food District

Half a century of history for a product that, more than any other, identifies our Terra d'Arneo even beyond national borders. The Salice Salentino PDO is a recognized quality product with so much to tell: stories of people, families, and small producers who cultivate with a dedication that truly makes the difference.

Cosimo Durante, President of Local Action Group Terra d'Arneo

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Salice Salentino PDO means paying tribute to a history made of passion, dedication, and love for our land. For us, wine is much more than just a product: it is the authentic expression of our roots, of peasant culture, and of the deep bond with our territory.

Luigi Palazzo, Councilor of the Municipality of Salice Salentino

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Apollonio

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In Apollonio's wines lies the story of a family that, for four generations and since 1870, has lived, produced, dreamed, designed and created. Its cradle is the land of Puglia, whose geology and microclimate make it one of Italy's most interesting wine regions.

The company is led today by the brothers Marcello and Massimiliano. They launched an ambitious expansion strategy: specializing in aging, expanding the distribution network, increasing the range of wines produced, and aiming for standards of excellence. Today Apollonio wines are exported to and appreciated in 35 countries.



Mani del Sud 2021

Malvasia Bianca

Az. Agr. Cosimo Taurino

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The Taurino family has been dedicated to vine growing and winemaking in Salento for seven generations. In 1972, Cosimo Taurino transformed the estate into a modern winery focused on producing, refining, and bottling its own wines. A decisive turning point came in 1974, when Taurino and oenologist Severino Garofano created the iconic Patriglione (first vintage 1975), which helped establish Puglia's reputation worldwide. Today, the winery's bottles are found in leading wine shops and restaurants across Italy, abroad, and in most U.S. states. After Cosimo's passing in 1999, his daughter Rosanna, his son-in-law Fernando Antonio, and his wife Rita continued the family tradition with dedication. The estate now produces Salice Salentino PDO alongside other signature wines such as I Sierr, Scaloti, Notarpanaro, and Patriglione.



Cosimo Taurino - Riserva 2015

90% Negroamaro, 10% Malvasia Nera



CANDIDO

Candido

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Candido, recently acquired by Cantine Paolo Leo, was founded in 1929 in San Donaci, in the heart of the Salice Salentino PDO, between the provinces of Brindisi and Lecce. Among the first wineries to recognize the potential of Apulian wines and to bottle its own production as early as the 1950s, it has remained firmly rooted in tradition: vinification, wine maturation in barrels and barriques, bottling, and aging still take place today at the historic premises in San Donaci. A story spanning a century, marked by a commitment to enhancing the territory and always bound to the native grape varieties of Salento.



Immensum, Riserva 2021

Negroamaro

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CANTELE

Cantele



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Cantele Winery was born from the vision of Giovanni Battista Cantele and Teresa Manara. They chose Salento because they believed the region had great potential. Together with their sons Augusto and Domenico, they founded the winery in 1979. Today it is led by the third generation of the family, combining tradition with a contemporary outlook. Today it is led by the third generation of the family, combining tradition with a contemporary outlook.

With 150 hectares of owned and managed vineyards, cultivated according to the principles of integrated farming, it produces wines that enhance the native grape varieties of Salento. A story of roots, passion, and continuity, expressed in the vineyards and in every glass.



Cantele 2022

Negroamaro

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CANTINA COOPERATIVA
SALICE SALENTINO

Cantina Cooperativa

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Born from the entrepreneurial spirit of 33 local farmers, the Cantina Cooperativa Salice Salentino was founded in 1960. Today, the cooperative manages 300 hectares of vineyards and brings together more than 150 member-growers who carefully cultivate valuable, historic indigenous varieties such as Negroamaro and Malvasia. These form the pillars of the production of the renowned Salice Salentino PDO.



Terre Neure 2024

90% Negroamaro,
10% Malvasia Nera di Lecce

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Terre Neure 2022

90% Negroamaro,
10% Malvasia Nera di Lecce



CANTINA SAN DONACI



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Cantina San Donaci, one of the oldest wineries in the Salento area, was founded in 1933 thanks to the entrepreneurial vision of twelve farmers who created the company with the aim of enhancing their production and supporting the economic development of the territory.

Over the years the winery has grown significantly, reaching 300 members and processing an average of 35,000 quintals of grapes per year. Thanks to its continuity and deep roots in the area, it has made a major contribution to the agricultural history of Salice Salentino, becoming a leading reference point for Apulian and Italian winemaking.



Anticaia 2024

Negroamaro



Anticaia 2022

Negroamaro

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DUE PALME
CANTINE DEL SUD

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Founded in 1989 by Angelo Maci, Cantine Due Palme is a cooperative winery with over 1,000 members and 2,500 hectares of vineyards in the heart of Salento. For more than thirty years it has championed the region's indigenous grape varieties, delivering quality that is recognized internationally.



Selvarossa 2021

80% Negroamaro, 20% Malvasia Nera



MASSERIA

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CANTINA MOROS

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Cantina Moros is the boutique winery of Claudio Quarta in Guagnano (Salento), renowned for its unique cru, Moros: a Salice Salentino Riserva crafted from bush-trained Negroamaro and Malvasia Nera vines, hand-harvested and long-aged in selected barriques.

A wine that embodies the full territorial identity and winemaking tradition of Salento with a contemporary profile, which earned it the Grand Gold Medal at the Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2023, a place among the 100 best Italian wines, and the title of “Best Italian Red Wine Revelation.” Since September 2025, Cantina Moros has become part of Tommasi Family Estates, which, together with Alessandra Quarta in the cellar, ensures continuity of the project while preserving its values, artisanal care, and deep bond with the land.



Moros - Riserva 2019

Negroamaro and Malvasia Nera



CONTI ZECCA
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Conti Zecca is one of the historic wineries of Southern Italy, today run by the Zecca brothers together with the representative of the next generation, Clemente Zecca. The Zecca family continues the path begun decades ago, with the same passion and dedication. Respectful of tradition yet with an eye toward modernity and the future, Conti Zecca pursues its mission with ever greater determination: to produce wines with a distinctive identity, in harmony with the environment, the land, and the people who work in the vineyards every day.



Cantalupi - Riserva 2022

Primarily Negroamaro

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Cantine De Falco

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Cantine De Falco, is a family-owned boutique winery belonging to the De Falco family since 1944, the year of its foundation. The winery has been producing wines for over 80 years and from the beginning has based its production philosophy on artisanal quality of the wines and on the evaluation of the land by producing strictly wines from indigenous grapes. This represents until today their signature. Nowadays the winery is run by Gabriele De Falco, who represents the third generation of the family in the wine business.



Falconero - Riserva 2019

Negroamaro



LEONE DE CASTRIS
1665

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Leone de Castris embodies the history and soul of Salento, where passion for the vine has flourished since 1665. For over three centuries, it has produced wines that tell the story of the land, blending innovation with tradition. Each bottle captures the warmth of the earth, the scent of the sea, and the strength of a heritage that continues to renew itself. Every wine is a tale of love and identity. A sip of Leone de Castris is an encounter with the authentic essence of Puglia.



Metodo Classico
Five Roses 2021
Negroamaro

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Per Lui - Riserva 2020

Negroamaro

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LE VIGNE DI
SAMMARCO

Le Vigne di Sammarco

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The Rizzello family cultivates 200 hectares of land, 120 of which are dedicated to vineyards trained with the traditional sapling and espalier systems. The remaining land will be planted with a focus on expressing the uniqueness of the Salento terroir, enhancing ancient native grape varieties such as Negroamaro, Malvasia Nera, Malvasia Bianca, Susumaniello, and Primitivo. Every day, the family remains committed to practicing clean, sustainable agriculture as a core value of their work.



Salicale – Riserva 2021

80% Negroamaro, 20% Malvasia Nera

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Vigneti Reale

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The Reale family has been involved in the world of wine since the early 20th century, when they began cultivating vineyards on their estates in Cellino San Marco, which at the time were planted with tobacco. At the turn of this century, brothers Damiano and Amedeo Reale took over the family business and launched a project aimed at raising quality standards, selecting only the best grapes from the estate's vineyards for bottling into carefully chosen lots. Today, the winery's ten labels, white, rosé, red, and sparkling wines, are distinguished by purity, freshness, and minerality.



Santa Croce - Riserva 2021

Negroamaro, Malvasia Nera

Salice Salentino delicacies

Discover the local delicacies of:



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