## MASSIMO LENTSCH

The Massimo Lentsch estate, founded at the end of 2018, is situated on the slopes of Mount Etna, in the district (contrada) of Calderara Sottana in the commune of Randazzo, while some of the vineyards are in the commune of Castiglione di Sicilia, in Contrada Feudo di Mezzo.

Already the owner of the Tenuta di Castellaro estate on the island of Lipari, Lentsch wanted to begin another adventure on volcanic soil, this time taking on the challenge of Etna, an active volcano. "The decision to create vineyards and a winery on Etna has arrived at a particular moment in my life, in which much has altered at a personal level: a sort of milestone that marks an important change. Producing highquality wines in a very fashionable but also extremely competitive region represents a major challenge for me, and one that I intend to win" explains Massimo Lentsch.

The contrasting interplay of lava and of water, represented by Etna and the Alcantara river, which flows close to the estate, creates a natural environment that is unique anywhere in the world.

Etna is the highest and most active volcano in Europe: it rises up majestically, like an island within the island. The Sicilians call it "Idda", and refer to it as "the great mother". The surreal landscape at the top, barren and inhospitable at the summit, is in complete contrast to that towards the valley, full of verdant woodland and vineyards.

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