



# HOUSE OF TOWNEND

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## Nero d'Avola, Rupe Secca

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**Price** £10.75  
**Code** SECC005

"Nero d'Avola" is the most important red wine grape in Sicily and is one of Italy's most important indigenous varieties. It is named after Avola in the far south of Sicily. It is frequently compared with New World Shiraz wines due to its sweet tannins and plum or peppery flavours, and this corking red has all that and more. Top-notch full bodied and creamy-lush spicy red - powerful and yet utterly captivating.

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### Tasting Notes:

Intense and smooth red wine, full of ripe red berry ( sweet cherry, baked plum, damson and raspberry coulis ) aromas and flavours supported by soft tannins.

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## Specification

<b>Vinification</b>	Harvest normally takes place between the second part of September and early October. The grapes are destemmed and gently pressed. With the addition of selected yeasts, fermentation takes place at controlled temperatures not exceeding 28°C. Frequent pumping over takes place in the early stages of fermentation in order to ensure optimum colour extraction and soft tannins. After fermentation, the wine is racked and the malolactic fermentation takes place in order to obtain perfect balance and harmony.
<b>ABV</b>	13%
<b>Size</b>	75cl
<b>Drinking Window</b>	Drink now
<b>Country</b>	Italy
<b>Region</b>	Sicily
<b>Type</b>	Red Wine
<b>Grapes</b>	Nero d'Avola
<b>Genres</b>	Vegan, Vegetarian
<b>Vintage</b>	2024
<b>Body</b>	Rich, bold and robust
<b>Producer</b>	The Wine People
<b>Producer Overview</b>	The Wine People is a new company established in 2009, the brainchild of an Italian, a Frenchman and a Dutchman. Stefano Girelli, Philippe Marx and Peter Kosten have combined their skill and experience to bring affordable good value wines from across Italy, with the help of renowned Italian winemaker Stefano Chioccioli who makes all the wins. All vineyards are situated on gentle hillside slopes in the Treviso province. Vines are Cordon trained and density is 4-5,000 plants per hectare.
<b>Closure Type</b>	Cork
<b>Food Matches</b>	An ideal accompaniment to any tomato based pasta dishes or red meat. Or, perhaps try with Parmigiana aubergines.
<b>Press Comments</b>	Decanter, April 2026, Unoaked Italian Reds Panel Tasting, 90 points: "Black plum, blackberry and fennel. Juicy fruit feels vibrant and pure, fresh acidity keeping it nimble. Tannins ripe and smooth, persistent finish." Victoria Moore, Telegraph March 2022, "It's still possible to find good wines for less than £10 – here are 50 of the best": "Nero d'Avola is a Sicilian speciality that makes beautiful, medium-bodied, juicy reds like this one, all red plums and mulberries, with a twist of sour cherry"