



PUER APULIAE 2018

*Castel del Monte Nero di Troia Riserva
D.O.C.G.*

"Made with 100% Nero di Troia, this wine is named after Emperor Frederick II of Hohenstaufen (1194–1250), known as the "Son of Apulia." The 2018 Puer Apuliae pays homage to the famous octagonal fortress Castel del Monte (depicted on Italy's one-cent euro coin) built by the emperor nearby.

Legend connects this native grape to ancient Troia, near Foggia, allegedly founded by the Greek hero Diomedes after the Trojan War.

This is a balanced and graceful wine with dark currant, blueberry, and toasted spice. The aromas are subtle, and the wine—matured in both barrique and tonneaux—offers a silky, medium-to-full-bodied mouthfeel. Production: 12,500 heavy glass bottles."

92 pts

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