Italian Wines in the World: Chardonnay of Planeta

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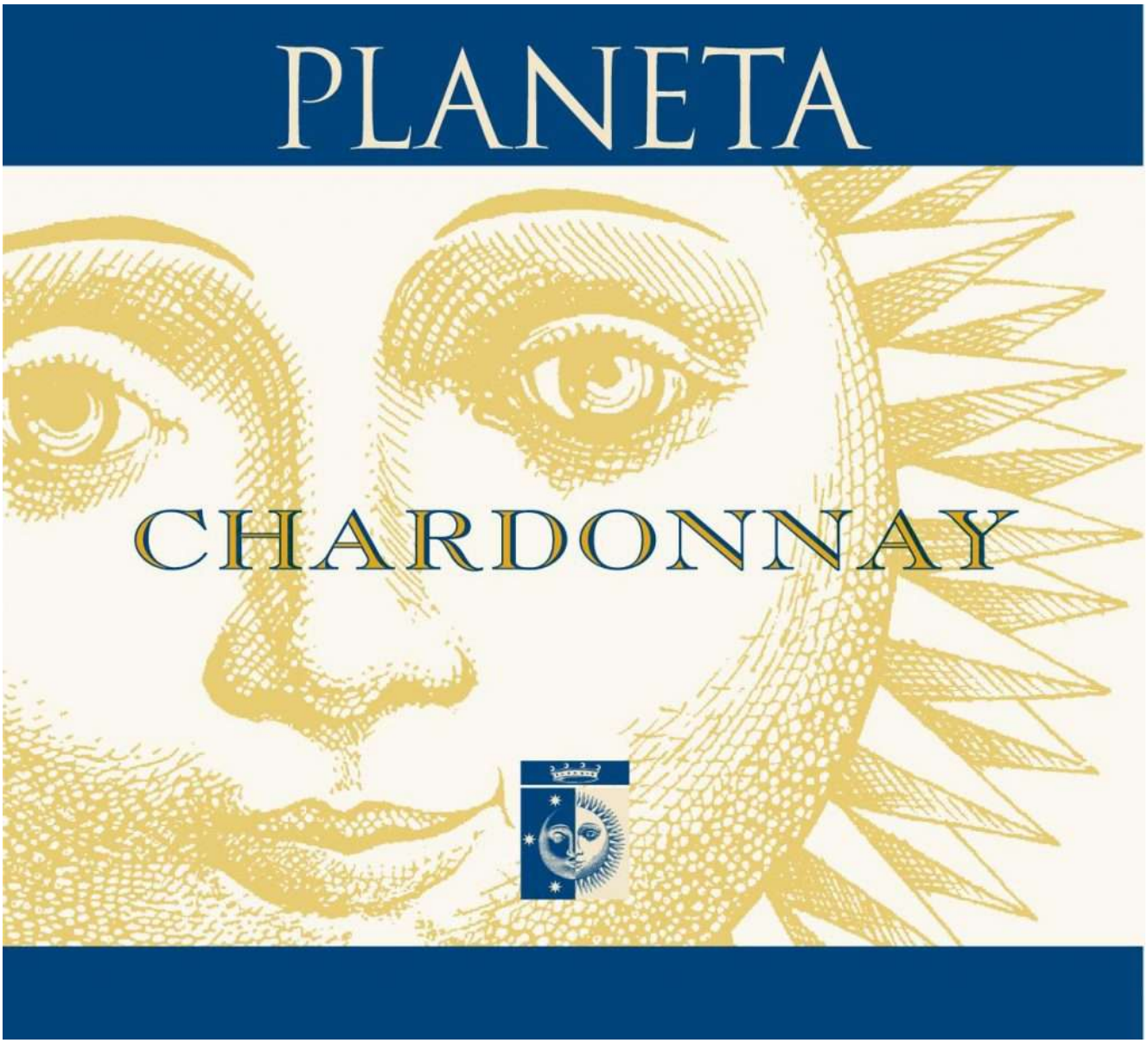

Planeta

The Planeta family has Spanish origins and has been the protagonist and a key player in the Sicilian agricultural world for many generations. The current company was founded in 1995 by the seventh generation, thanks to the perfect harmony between two generations of brothers and sisters, children, nieces and nephews that gave life to wines that proudly bear the family name. Planeta now represents not one, but six different ways to express the character of the territory in

six different settings.

Production area: Etna, Noto
Established: 1995
Hectares: 370
Yearly production (bottles): 2.300.000

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CHARDONNAY

Wine: White
Year: 2012
Price (ex winery, VAT included): 15,13 Euro
Ageing: Barrique
Designation: DOC
Grapes (%): Chardonnay 100%

If there is one wine that represents the value and rebirth of viticulture and viniculture in Sicily at best, it is surely the Chardonnay by Planeta. It is a wine that has shown how Sicily may be, and indeed is, one of the most interesting and single areas in the wine world. This wine is the icon of Sicily, which shows also how the “terroir” factor deeply influences the characterisation of an international grape variety like Chardonnay. The grapes come from vineyards in Ulmo and Maroccoli in the province of Agrigento, and the result is a wine that can blend strength with elegance, and the use of French barriques for ageing in no way limits the richness of the fruit (exotic) if tasted young, or the balsam if enjoyed even when aged (an experience to be tried, which is also proof the great longevity of this Sicilian Chardonnay).