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# The Wine Route Terre Sicane

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Terre Sicane is an extraordinary territory that combines the beauty of the landscape with a magnificent cultural and historical-archeological heritage. The communes of Contessa Entellina, Menfi, Montevago, Santa Margherita Belice and Sciacca stand in the heart of these lands today, lands, towns with different peculiarities but indissolubly bonded by a variegated territory made up of mountains, plateau and hills that run from inland towards the coastline, sometimes wild and rugged, open onto the bright azure of the Mediterranean. Don't miss: the archeological evidence from Monte Adranone and Entella, the thermal waters of Acquapia at Montevago, the beaches of Sciacca and Menfi, and – of course – the vineyards and the wineries.

## Sciacca

Sciacca is a town of fishermen (the second most important one in Sicily), and of thermal baths, maritime tourism and especially artisanry. Pottery made by the masters of Sciacca is appreciated around the world, in the city center one can visit small artisan's shops where one can find precious handmade earthenware products like jars, plates, carafes and tiles. The art of ceramics has deep roots in the history of Sciacca, the first furnaces appeared in the IV Century and played an important role in the towns economic system ever since. The expertise of the saccensi artisans isn't limited to the production of pottery: in fact, they are masters in the art of working with red coral that is quite common in the Mediterranean Sea, and the windows of local jewellers are filled with precious one-off objects where the carved pieces of coral are entwined with gold in an original way. Sciacca is also know for its Carnival, one of Sicily's most ancient. Artisans work for an entire year to build the floats that are inspired mainly by Italian public figures. Every float is unique and along with song and dance it tells a story that is all about a current moment. Sciacca is rich in historical monuments, churches, palaces, and museums and it is the most populated town in the Terre Sicane territory.





