



PIT STOP BENEATH THE OLIVE TREES

“Essenza della Sicilia” makes a stop at San Basilio.
30 vintage Bugatti from all over the world at the historical Sicilian estate.

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30 splendid vintage Bugattis, Stanguellini, Jaguars and Alfa Romeos lounge in the shade of 30 olive trees on the San Basilio estate for an afternoon picnic in Sicily. That’s the idea that connected the legendary automotive brand and the historical farm that has produced Sicilian olive oils and almonds for more than 120 years.

This stop at the San Basilio farmland is part of the “Essenza della Sicilia” event October 9th through 16th that will take Bugatti drivers a bit “off the map” to enjoy the heritage and culture of this extraordinary land.

The San Basilio estate was built in 1855 and managed by the Padova family since 1888. Today, the fourth generation, represented by Maria Angela, Tore and Francesco Padova, will host the event.

“Celebrating Bugatti means celebrating the values we believe in: art and innovation, the ingredients for excellence,” says Francesco Padova of Mastri di San Basilio. “And excellence is the passport for immortality. With its enterprises Bugatti has always played a vital part in the history of the automotive world—and it always will. Today, in this place of mystery and fascination, we give our humble contribution to write a new page of the Bugatti book.”

Collectors and Bugatti enthusiasts from all over the world will be hosted by the Padova family in the San Basilio estate. Guests will visit the farmhouse and see the paintings of Guido Capuano, the artist who created the Mastri di San Basilio olive oil bottles. The cars will be parked in the shade of the olive trees surrounding the farm, while the drivers will have their pit stop to savor an afternoon picnic from the farm’s kitchen. Home-made Val di Noto almond and Raffadali pistachio gelato will be served to refresh the drivers. And a very special treat for the road will be given at the end: the estate’s limited edition Riserva olive oil will be donated to the collectors who will attend the event. And the Riserva bottle will be dressed with a special Bugatti commemorative label painted by artist Simona Spadaro.

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