

## **ZUCCHINE ESSICCATE AL SOLE**



CODE	93901
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	Italy, Apulia
WEIGHT	230 g

Sun-dried zucchini in oil, grown in Salento

**DESCRIPTION**Naturally sun-dried zucchini, preserved in extra virgin olive oil with capers, chili, garlic, and

fresh mint

**APPEARANCE**The zucchini slices are clearly visible and maintain their shape even during extraction; the

vegetables have a slightly brownish color due to sun drying

**TASTE** Sweet and rich in pulp

**PRODUCER** I Contadini - Ugento (LE) - Apulia

**OUR SELECTION** What struck us most about I Contadini is their strong connection to the land and tradition. All

the vegetables are produced on the farm, using integrated production methods, in fields near the facility, in Puglia. The vegetables are sun-dried on racks as tradition dictates, which is actually a very ancient practice and nearly abandoned nowadays due to its difficulty and

delicacy, but it results in an unmatched organoleptic outcome

**CURIOSITY** The zucchini are grown in open fields in the month of April and hand-picked in June and

July. They are washed, sorted, sliced with the skin on, salted, and left to sun-dry on racks for 3-4 days. After that, the zucchini are once again sorted, washed, and flavored with Puglian

extra virgin olive oil

**SUGGESTIONS** They can be blanched in water with a small amount of vinegar for a few minutes and used

to prepare excellent rolls with fresh cheese, tuna, and capers. They are great as an appetizer

or side dish, but also for dressing rice salads or fresh pasta

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