

GAJA

Barbaresco 2021 6x75cl

Winemaker Notes

The Nebbiolo vine is particularly affected by the small differences in the various types of soil. The blend of the grapes coming from the 14 vineyards stresses the features of the different terroirs, thus creating a complex and balanced wine. The bouquet smells of soft fruits, flowers, delicate spices and mineral notes. The structure is dense but elegant. It has a lingering finish with refined tannins. Each GAJA Barbaresco is the faithful expression of the production year and is suitable for a long bottle ageing.

Vineyard

14 vineyards situated in the municipality of Barbaresco. The land, at a height between 250 and 330m above the sea level, covers a surface of 21.4 hectares. The plants are 40 years old on average.

Winemaking

The grapes, coming from each single vineyard, separately undergo fermentation, maceration and ageing in oak for 12 months. Then they are blended and further aged in oak for another 12 months.

Vintage

Abundant snowfall and low temperatures led to an unusually severe, rainy winter, followed by a dry spring. Temperatures picked up in mid-March but unfortunately, the cold returned in early April with icy winds. Some vineyards lower in altitude were affected by frost and recorded losses between 30% and 5%. The summer rolled out with hot and dried days alternating with short and frequent gusts of winds that had the effect of lowering the temperatures. Powdery mildew became a real threat in Barbaresco in July and required a lot of attention and focus from our team. After an overall dry season, a redeeming rainfall came in the end of August, refreshing the Barbaresco region. Nebbiolo ripened slowly, helped by a rainfall on September 17 along with a drop in temperatures and a dense fog. The harvest kicked off in Barbaresco on September 21. This relatively dry and cold vintage led to a late harvest and paid off with high quality grapes, characterized by smaller berries.

Food match

Well placed to complement game such as wild duck or pheasant



Grapes

100% Nebbiolo

Region/Appellation

Barbaresco D.O.P.

Alcohol by volume

14%

Tasting Guide

A B C **D** E
Light Medium Full

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