



RICOSSA
Antica Casa



BARBARESCO

Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita



VARIETY - NEBBIOLO 100%

THE REGION - PIEDMONT

From the Barbaresco district of the province of Cuneo in northwest of Italy, comes a fine wine produced from the noble Nebbiolo grape. This grape is believed to have had its origins on the steep hills of the town of Alba. Its name most likely was derived from the fog ("nebbia" in Italian) that encircled the vineyards during the mornings in early fall. Barbaresco wine as it is known today had its birth in 1893 when Domizio Cavazza founded the Cantina Societe del Barbaresco. But the wine only began to be widely acclaimed around the time Barbaresco received the DOCG designation in 1980.

VINEYARDS / WINEMAKING

The Barbaresco vineyards lie at 600 to 1,000 feet above sea level and east of the Barolo district. This zone is drier and warmer than the region producing Barolo wines. As a result the wines tend to be more elegant and perhaps a bit more supple. As DOCG wines adhere to a strict set of quality measures, only the best Nebbiolo grapes from the Barbaresco district are selected for a wine with a minimum of 12.5% alcohol. It must then age for a minimum of two years, one year in oak barrels. Our Nebbiolo grapes are all hand-picked and transported to the winery at night to keep them cool. Upon a controlled fermentation, the wine is aged in French oak barrels to yield the best results.

ALCOHOL 14.0% **ACIDITY** 5.5 g/l **PH** 3.3

TASTING NOTES | FOOD PAIRINGS

This wine has a ruby red color with garnet hues and orange overtones. Aromas of sour cherries, raspberries and plums integrate well with a warm, sultry taste of hazelnut licorice and chocolate with nuances of vanilla and cinnamon in a lingering finish. Enjoy with grilled and stewed meats. Perfect for braised veal, game and well-aged cheeses.

ACCOLADES | WINE RATINGS

- 2012 vintage – **91 pts – GOLD MEDAL "EXCEPTIONAL"**, TASTINGS – 4/14/16
- 2011 vintage – **GOLD MEDAL, TEXSOM 2015 International Wine Awards**
 - **89 pts – Wine Enthusiast Magazine, October 2015**
 - **87 pts – "BEST BUY" Wine and Spirits Magazine, December 2014**



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