



**RIKOSSA**  
*Antica Casa*



## BAROLO

Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita

### VARIETY - NEBBIOLO 100%

### THE REGION - PIEDMONT

Perched on a hilltop, the Barolo village with its historic castle has long achieved notoriety for lending its name to an elegant red wine made with the Nebbiolo grape. Barolo was on its way to become a great wine in the 1800s when Camillo Benso, count of Cavour, changed its style to a dry, full-bodied wine with structure and complexity similar to wines produced in France. The grape Nebbiolo was believed to have 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. Today, production of Barolo is limited to a small denomination, including the areas of Serralunga d'Alba, La Morra and Barolo, five miles at its widest point, all in Cuneo province.

### VINEYARDS / WINEMAKING

Barolo DOCG wines adhere to a strict set of quality measures. Only the best Nebbiolo grapes are selected to produce Barolo with a minimum of 13.0% alcohol. The wine must then age for a minimum of three years, two in oak barrels. Our Nebbiolo grapes are all hand-picked from vineyards in the communes of Barolo, Castiglione Falletto and Serralunga d'Alba, and transported to the winery at night to keep them cool. Upon a controlled fermentation, the wine is aged only in top quality French oak barrels to yield the best results.

**ALCOHOL** 14.0%      **ACIDITY** 5.5 g/l      **PH** 3.4

### TASTING NOTES | FOOD PAIRINGS

This wine has a bright garnet color with brick-orange hues and the scent of alcohol-drenched fruit. On the palate, mulberry and sour cherry flavors abound with zesty acidity, chewy leathery tannins, and a persistent finish. Enjoy with braised, slow roasted or stewed meats, with mushrooms and aged cheeses.

### ACCOLADES | WINE RATINGS

**2011** vintage – **93 pts – GOLD MEDAL "CELLAR SELECTION", TASTINGS – 4/14/16**  
– **90 pts – Wine Enthusiast Magazine, July 1, 2016**

**2010** vintage – **GOLD MEDAL, TEXSOM 2015 International Wine Awards**  
– **93 pts – GOLD MEDAL "CELLAR SELECTION" TASTINGS – 6/2/14**

❖ **GOLD MEDAL, The 2014 World Wine Championships – 6/2/14**

**2009** vintage – **90 pts – "BEST BUY" Wine and Spirits Magazine, December 2014**

**2008** vintage – **92 pts – "EXCEPTIONAL" BEST BUY, TASTINGS**

❖ **GOLD MEDAL, The 2013 World Wine Championships – 4/10/13**



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