

BAROLO CASTELLETTO

MGA Castelletto

Municipality: Monforte d'Alba
Etymology from an ancient castle, no more existing
128Ha / 317Acres
Subsoil: Marne Sant'Agata
Soil: evolved
36% vineyard (of which 60% Barolo)
Altitude: 250-520 metres above sea level / 820-1.700ft
Better exposures: between East and South
15 owners

PODERI GIANNI GAGLIARDO in Castelletto

1,72 Ha / 4,25 Acres

Altitude: 250 metres above sea level / 820 ft

Exposure: East

Soil: loamy soil with good equipment of limestone, most of all in the higher part of the vineyard.

Poor in organic substance, that tends to mineralize.

Number of plants: 8279

Clone 142-230- Gagliardo Mass Selection

Ripening period: medium late ripening because of the East exposure





DETAILS

The Castelletto vineyard is a magical place. Here there is one of the greatest biodiversity in the Barolo area, and it is easy to come across birds of prey, wild boar and roe deer. It is in fact located at the entrance to a narrow valley where a beautiful natural forest resides. This position, together with its orientation to the East, make it a vineyard with a particularly cool microclimate, with strong temperature variations in the hot season. In this vineyard, even in summer the soil tends to remain wet for longer, and after the rains it is always quite complicated to return to the vineyard. For this reason, choosing the harvest date is very important: in autumn after the rains it is possible that the vineyard will remain impractical even for a week. It's a vineyard with a particular balance that always produces very small bunches, and the thinning operations are particularly delicate.

TASTING NOTES

Balsamic, mineral and marine notes. Fruit dominated by cherry, plum and pomegranate. Licorice and eucalyptus. Delicate smoky notes. Compact tannins and fresh, cleansing finish.

FOOD MATCH

Italian: Lasagne alla Bolognese; USA: Bacon wrapped Baked meatballs; Asian: Korean Beef Seaweed Soup (Miyeok-guk).

SCORES

2018: 94/100 (Winescritic.com), 92/100 (Tom Hyland)
2017: 94/100 (Winescritic.com), 92/100 (Tom Hyland)
2016: 95/100 (JamesSuckling.com), 93/100 (Winescritic.com, Wine Advocate), GOLD Merano Wine Festival

Poderi Gianni Gagliardo



Barolo Castelleto DOCG, 2019 Barolo, Italy

Wine Details

Harvest in October. Maceration in steel tanks for 12-18 days and aging in a single 25-hectoliter barrel. Aging in wood is 30 months.

Vineyards/Region

From the Monforte d'Alba Municipality, the Castelletto vineyard is 4.25 acres and sits at 820 ft ASL. Soil is loamy with a good amount of limestone, mostly in the higher parts of the vineyard. Poor in organic substance that tends to mineralize, this slow-draining vineyard has medium to late ripening due to it's Eastern and Southern exposure.

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Food Pairing

Pair with lasagna Bolonese, bacon wrapped meatballs, Korean beef seaweed soup.

Varietal

100% Nebbiolo

EAN	Pack/Size	ABV
8-017048-007139	3/750ml	14.5%

Ratings & Awards

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96	WinesCritic.com	2019
94	lan d'Agata	2019
92	James Suckling	2019
94	WinesCritic.com	2018
92	Tom Hyland	2018
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95	James Suckling	2016
93	WinesCritic.com	2016
93	Robert Parker	2016

Winemaker

Stefano Gagliardo

Winery Certifications

Certified Organic carolinawinebrandsusa.com gagliardo.it



Cost: Retail: