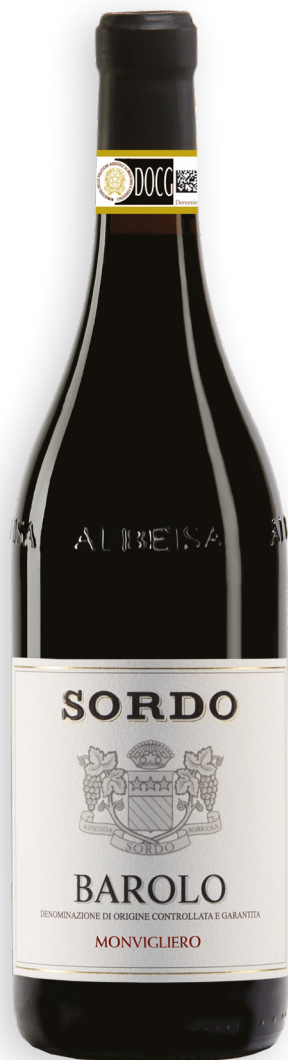


SORDO GIOVANNI AZIENDA AGRICOLA

BAROLO DOCG MONVIGLIERO 2012



WINE INTRODUCTION

This vineyard, wholly exposed at midday, sits in the splendid winegrowing area of Verduno. Even a hundred years ago the Monvigliero hill was known to be an amazing area for Nebbiolo growing by all the producers of Barolo.

WINEMAKER VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

The beginning of October saw the start of the Nebbiolo harvest, which had benefitted from a period of large variations in daytime temperatures from mid-September on. The quality and quantity of the phenolic substances recorded when monitoring the ripening of the grapes is of particular significance: a positive development was noted over the last month, suggesting that the grapes are very likely to produce well-structured wines lending themselves to ageing. In conclusion, overall the yield was not overly abundant, but excellent in quality, producing well-balanced wines.

WINEMAKING NOTE

The grapes were harvested when fully mature and the vinification started immediately upon arriving the cellar. After destemming and crushing comes fermentation – which takes place at about 25-28°C in stainless steel tanks. This is followed by maceration using the submerged-cap method, consisting of leaving the must in contact with the skins and pips which traditionally lasts about six weeks. After racking, the ideal conditions for a perfect malolactic fermentation are created in the cellar. The wine matures in traditional large Slavonian oak barrels for 24 months and longer in the bottle before release.

APPEARANCE, AROMA AND TASTING NOTE

Garnet red in colour, with ruby reflections and perfect clarity. The bouquet is elegant, intense, broad and persistent, with hints of dried rose, undergrowth, sweet tobacco and spices. The palate is warm, intense and pleasant, the tannins turn to sweet, its range of flavours is enhanced by hints of chocolate, ripe fruit and spices.

WINE INFORMATION

Country:	Italy
Region:	Piedmont
Sub Region:	Barolo
Wine Type:	Barolo DOCG
Producer:	Sordo Giovanni Azienda Agricola
Wine Name:	Barolo DOCG Monvigliero
Vintage:	2012
Principle Grape (%):	Nebbiolo (100)
Closure:	Natural Cork
Winemaker Name:	Giorgio Sordo
ABV (%)	14.50%
Acid (g/L)	5.70
pH:	3.48
Bottle Size:	75cl
Case/Pack Size:	6x75cl

WINE SCORES

Decanter World Wine Awards:	Gold
Wine Spectator:	93 points
Wine Enthusiast:	91 points
James Suckling:	93 points
I vini di Veronelli:	3 stars
Natalie MacLean:	94 points
Falstaff:	92 points
Berliner Wine Trophy:	Gold
Asia Wine Trophy:	Gold
IWC:	Silver
Prosit:	3 Prosit
Guida Vitae:	TTT