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THE GREAT VINTAGES TOLD IN A CENTURY OF BAROLO

1931

Generally exquisite sensations, from its intense, rounded nose, to its full, harmonious flavour and great balance on the palate.

1934

1937

1947

This is rightly considered to be one of the greatest vintages of the century, and this Barolo expressed all the power of its colour, bouquet and taste to the fullest.

1952

1957

1958

A well-structured, crisp Barolo with a bouquet that developed a lovely ethereal complexity over time.

1961

A classy Barolo, with body, warmth, structure, and a very ample, intense nose.

1962

1964

An absolutely superb Barolo of incredible grandeur. The depth of its bouquet and fullness of its flavour came together with the well-ripened tannins (that softened over a period of just a few years) to give the wine a genuinely special balance and harmony.

1965

1967

A Barolo packed with intense, ample fragrances and good structure.

1970

1971

Featuring magnificent balance, structure and depth of bouquet, this Barolo stands out for its elegance, very fine nose and ageing capacity.

1974

A Barolo with a delicate, inviting nose and smooth, lingering taste.

1978

A limited yield in grapes and a hot, dry summer and autumn allowed the production of a powerful Barolo with a highly complex bouquet and taste.

1982

One of the most demanding Barolos of all time in terms of body and character, with a rich tannic fabric and considerable acidity guaranteeing a slow evolution of the wine over the course of the years

1985

A Barolo featuring balance and harmony in its constituent parts as a result of a hot, dry summer and autumn. Intense, expansive nose.

1988

1989

Wine with a very intense bouquet and big, full flavour. Imposing and demanding, with a long cellar life due to its concentration.

1990

A majestic, rounded Barolo. Exhilarating and complex, with great structure, balance and substance, an enticing, expansive nose, a warm, full-bodied flavour, and soft, dense tannins.

1995

1996

A Barolo of days gone by, long and well-structured on the mouth. A harvest delayed by an unusually cold spring and summer produced a wine with explosive tannic structure and lasting crisp freshness.

1997

Warm weather and early ripening are the premise for a full, soft, and surprisingly harmonious Barolo.

1998

1999

A Barolo of great personality and structure, resulting from perfect weather for the ripening of Nebbiolo grapes. Complex on the nose, big and full-bodied on the palate, and big and full-bodied on the mouth, with rich, ripe tannins providing breadth and depth.

2000

The century ended with a Barolo showing plenty of structure, a soft, full taste, and very intense fruit on the nose. A hot year and an early harvest for an elegant, round Barolo with exceptional balance and great personality.

2001

A very concentrated wine, with supple, powerful, mouth-filling tannins, and balsamic and red berry aromas on the nose. Harvested early in October when perfectly ripe, following a wet, yet warm spring and a very normal summer.

2004

An extraordinary Barolo: open and radiant, with soft, smooth, ripe tannins and great balance. Appealing and expansive on the nose, warm and luscious on the mouth. An "easy" Barolo to approach and appreciate: therein lies its greatness.

2005

Mid-harvest rains left their mark, defining styles and selections. A Barolo that puts elegance first, showing plenty of acidity and dry tannins, but with good concentration of fruit giving depth and volume.

2006

2007

A very early harvest and grapes of incredible quality resulted in this Barolo with an expansive, complex nose and sweet entry on the mouth. Soft and smooth, with an intense tannic fabric, it is practically perfect.

2008

Abundant rainfall in spring, a humid summer, and a hot, dry end to the season meant that the nebbiolo grapes were not picked until mid-October. The wine is well-balanced and mouth-filling, supple and powerful, open and warm: a Barolo marked by harmony.

2009

2010

A long and cold winter postponed the vegetative awakening of the vine for 15 days compared to the average. A cool year has allowed a perfect accumulation of poliphenolyc substances, mostly the color. The wine is fruity with full and sweet tannins: it's a Barolo for long ageing.

2011

A mild winter and a wet and warm spring led to an early vegetative awakening. Summer months were very hot and with little rain, causing irregular ripening but favouring the vineyards located in the best positions. The result is a wine full of aromas reminiscent of very ripe red fruit and warm and charming tannins.

2012

A vintage which was not too rich in terms of quantity, but exceptional in terms of quality, which let us produce some incredibly well-balanced wines.

2013

A vintage characterized by an irregular beginning of the vegetative cycle due to low average temperatures and lots and abundant rain in May. From June on the weather started to improve. Nebbiolo enjoyed high temperatures in September and October, which helped to develop the concentration of its characteristic phenolic compounds. A great wine, fine and elegant, with great potential for aging. A rare example of a classic Barolo.

2014

A fresh and rainy summer favored the production of high quality Nebbiolo grapes mainly in the most prestigious Crus. The Barolo is full of floral and spicy aromas with rich and very tasty tanninis: these are wines that will be able to withstand a very long aging inside the bottle.

2015

The abundant winter snowfalls allowed an excellent water supply of the soil and the mild spring temperatures since February took to an advance of the vegetative cycle which was then maintained during the year. Despite the very hot summer, Nebbiolo has matured perfectly, thus giving elegant and long-lasting structured wines.

2016

One of the best vintages of the last 10 years, the 2016 vintage was certainly one of the longest-lasting in recent times.
The Nebbiolo grapes achieved a perfect and full ripening, despite the mild winter and "late cold" that arrived in spring, and wines have excellent balance, big bouquets and great structure.

2017

Intense and high quality vintage well known for its icy spring and rainy September. Nebbiolo clusters were able to perfectly grow thanks to the daily summer heat and the resfreshing nights. Barolo 2017 has a good structure, a fine body and fabolous tannins. This wine owns a flawless balance between acidity and mouth aromas which makes it memorable.

2018

Great vintage, characterised by a long and cold winter with copious rainfall. Low temperatures during spring time and an hot and dry summer until harvest season. Barolos of 2018 vintage are very traditional: fresh, balanced and with a good propensity for aging.

2019

Lots of balance, no extreme levels of alcohol and a great acidic strength which gives Barolo a good verticality and freshness. Summer was characterized by a mild climate, with sporadic and regular rainfall, which ensured good ripening of the grapes, despite intense hail phenomena. The main peculiarities are the fabulous harmony and silky tannins. Lots of balance and pronounced acidity, which allow a long-lasting bottle life.

2020

The mild winter temperatures provided a dry and sunny spring season, which ended with lots of rainfalls, ensuring an excellent water supply to the soil. The warm summer climate has left room for a drop in temperatures, with peculiar thermal excursion between day and night. A perfect polyphenols accumulation and an excellent level of acidity, but also voluminous and silky tannins, which give to the Barolo great balance and allow an important aging capacity.

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