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ITALY EN PRIMEUR CANTINA DEL PINO

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RENATO VACCA

I am deeply saddened to write that Renato Vacca passed away a couple of weeks ago. He was one of the most gentle, kind and knowledgeable growers I have had the pleasure of meeting. His wines are as unassuming, ethereal and deep as he was. The estate always released the wines later than most (to give them extra time in bottle), but circumstances dictate that the 2016s will not be available until later this year. We are able to offer some more of the exquisite and highly revered 2015s. We first offered these in April last year and since then, they have received high praise from many wine critics; no less than they deserve.

The estate is steeped in winemaking history - wine has been made there since 1894 by the initial owner, Domizio Cavazza. Nicknamed the 'father of Barbaresco', he was the first person to produce wine from Nebbiolo vineyards under the name Barbaresco. He planted the famous pine tree ('pino') at the estate when his first son was born,

now a recognisable landmark in the region. The Vaccas took over in 1912 and left the Produttori del Barbaresco when Renato's father set up Cantina del Pino in 1997. The Ovello vineyard, which surrounds the estate is one of the greatest cru in Barbaresco. Many of the vines are 70+ years old and it consistently produces one of the best and ageworthy wines in the region. Albesani is located in Neive. The soil here is more clay (Ovello is sandier) with a warmer, southerly exposition and it tends to be more approachable in its youth than Ovello. The straight Barbaresco is a blend of four vineyards, predominantly Ovello and Gallina.

As Antonio Galloni has said "...they happen to be amongst the best value in Barbaresco. In short I can't say enough good things about the wines of Renato Vacca". These are wonderfully elegant, transparent wines and the 2015s are beginning to drink incredibly well.

Philippa Saunders, Italy Buyer

CANTINA DEL PINO



6x75cl - £140 IB

Barbaresco - 2015

Cantina del Pino's 2015 Barbaresco is a very pretty entry-level wine in this range. Crushed flowers, tobacco, cedar, dried cherry, mint and chalk all pulse through this finely cut, rather nervous Barbaresco. The 2015 is a blend of mostly Ovello (from both its east-facing and westernmost sections), along with Staderi and Gallina. Even in this warm vintage, the straight Barbaresco offers terrific energy as well as cut. Drink 2022-2040

92 points • Antonio Galloni



6x75cl - £180 IB

Barbaresco Albesani - 2015

One of the many highlights in this range, the Cantina del Pino's 2015 Barbaresco Albesani is a wine of real gravitas and vertical power. A whole range of floral and savory notes develop in this statuesque, potent Barbaresco. Dried flowers, herbs, cedar, tobacco and mint add myriad shades of nuance. The Albesani is one of the most reticent wines in this lineup today, but it has an explosive energy that is just waiting to emerge. Time in the glass reveals a Barbaresco of exquisite beauty. Drink 2022-2040

95 points • Antonio Galloni



6x75cl - £180 IB

Barbaresco Ovello - 2015

Deceptive in its light-bodied color, the 2015 Barbaresco Ovello packs a serious punch. Dried flowers, mint, pine, herbs, crushed berries and chalk add striking top notes. I very much like the wine's sense of energy. In other words, this is classic Ovello Barbaresco built on laser-like focus and real nobility. It will appeal most to readers who enjoy structured wines that develop gradually with many years in bottle. Drink 2022-2040

95 points • Antonio Galloni

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