

| Grape Varieties | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ Brachetto |
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| Winemaker | Patrizia Marenco |
| Closure | Screwcap |
| ABV | $\mathbf{5 . 5 \%}$ |
| Residual Sugar | $\mathbf{1 3 0 g} / \mathrm{L}$ |
| Acidity | $\mathbf{6 g} / \mathrm{L}$ |
| Wine pH | $\mathbf{3 . 3}$ |
| Bottle Sizes | $\mathbf{3 7 . 5 c l}$ |
| Notes | Vegetarian, Practising <br> Organic, Vegan |

## PRODUCER

Contero is owned by the Marenco family, who are Moscato and Brachetto specialists in Strevi. This 11 hectare estate remains one of the best producers of invigoratingly delicious Moscato d'Asti and Brachetto d'Acqui. The ripest and best Moscato grapes are used for Moscato d'Asti rather than Asti.

## VINEYARDS

The Contero vineyards are situated in a perfect amphitheatre in the commune of Strevi, the heart of one of the best zones for Brachetto in Piemonte. The vines are superbly tended and produce fruit of stunning quality. They are located on steep hills with tufaceous-marl soils which contain layers of fertile clay. The vines are Guyot trained and planted at a density of 4,800 vines per hectare. Grapes are hand harvested into wooden boxes and the average yield is five tonnes per hectare.

## VINTAGE

The 2019 vintage started slowly with winter conditions of rain and low temperatures lasting through to the middle of March. More rain in April meant that the soil's water content was sufficient through the summer months. Two heat waves at the end of both June and July were followed by more mild temperatures and sporadic rainfall.

## VINIFICATION

The grapes were hand-picked and carefully selected. After gentle pressing, the must fermented on the skins for two to three days at low temperatures, in stainless-steel tanks. The must was then separated from the skins, with fermentation halted at $5.5 \%$ volume alcohol by filtration to leave around 100 g of sugar per litre. Bottling took place under pressure for a light sparkle.

## TASTING NOTES

This wine is light cherry red in colour. The rich, persistent mousse accompanies bright aromas of roses and violets. The slightly sweet, aromatic palate has a typical bittersweet note on the finish.

AWARDS<br>Sommelier Wine Awards 2020, Gold

