



Grape Varieties **70% Nebbiolo**
 15% Vespolina
 5% Croatina

Winemaker	Luca & Paolo De Marchi
Closure	Natural Cork
ABV	13.5%
Acidity	6.34g/L
Wine pH	3.5
Bottle Sizes	75cl
Notes	Vegetarian, Vegan

PRODUCER

This splendid 12 hectare hillside estate is situated in the small town of Lessona, near Biella in northern Piemonte. Paolo De Marchi, owner of top Chianti Classico estate Isole e Olena, inherited Proprietà Sperino from his grandfather, Felice Sperino, a passionate viticulturist and professor in Turin. Since the 1970s, Paolo has dreamed of revitalising the Sperino estate, a dream that has come to fruition with the help of his elder son, Luca, who now runs the estate and makes the wines with Paolo's guidance.

VINEYARDS

In 2004 Sperino purchased vineyards of one of the most beautiful and historic locations in Bramaterra, the Madonna degli Angeli. It was one hectare of old vineyard, planted in the 60s and still in splendid shape; over the years, another two hectares have been added to this. It is an extreme, difficult area with outcropping granite and porphyry and a huge amount of metal, especially iron. The granites of Bramaterra deliver to the wine the typical sapidity of the sands of Lessona with a more lively minerality.

VINTAGE

The 2020 vintage started with a mild winter, with few days where the temperature dropped below freezing. A rainy start to spring turned into a dry and sunny May, meaning flowering was early and even. Summer rain and hail storms had little effect, and a mix of warmer days and cooler nights brought the grapes into excellent condition at the end of ripening.

VINIFICATION

Once the grapes arrived at the winery, they were manually sorted on the conveyor belt. The bunches were destemmed, gently pressed and the berries were gravity fed into the fermentation tank. Fermentation took place with natural yeasts in open-topped wooden fermenters. Skin maceration lasted 22 days, with regular punching down of the cap. The wine remained for 12 months on sur lie. This wine spent an additional 24 months aging in bottle before release.

TASTING NOTES

This wine is vibrant ruby in colour. On the nose are aromas of red fruits, pepper and black tea. The palate has an enveloping mouthfeel with hints of small red berries, cranberries and some oak-derived spice. It is medium-bodied with delicate tannins which led to a smooth and luxurious finish.