Massolino,

# Barolo `Margheria` 2021

**Barolo, Piemonte, Italy**




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| Grape Varieties | **100% Nebbiolo** |
| Winemaker | **Franco & Roberto Massolino** |
| Closure | **Natural Cork** |
| ABV | **14%** |
| Residual Sugar | **0.58g/L** |
| Acidity | **5.56g/L** |
| Wine pH | **3.51** |
| Bottle Sizes | **75cl,150cl** |
| Notes | **Vegetarian, Vegan** |

## PRODUCER

This 55 hectare estate has been in the Massolino family since 1896. Since 1994 the style of the wines has undergone a subtle transformation. Winemaker Franco Massolino has done a wonderful job of marrying change with a respect for tradition, something that sets him apart from most of the younger producers in Barolo today. This is in part dictated by the nature of the vineyards that the Massolino family owns in the commune of Serralunga d'Alba - the source of some of the greatest, most structured, robust and long-lived Barolo wines.

## VINEYARDS

The 1.5 hectare Margheria vineyard is an MGA located in the commune of Serralunga d'Alba at an altitude of 280 metres above sea level. It is south west facing. The soil is predominantly limestone with a fair percentage of sand that gives the wines elegance. Vines are 40 year old on average and they are trained with Guyot system

## VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage started with a mild winter with plenty of rain and snow, which provided essential as the remainder of the year was quite dry. Budburst began on schedule and the growing season recorded average temperatures and minimal rainfall. The harvest ensued mid-September and continued into mid-October, allowing the grapes to be concentrated but balanced. These growing conditions allowed for a pure and elegant expression of the region, creating a wine with excellent ageing potential.

## VINIFICATION

This wine underwent a long fermentation and maceration in oak fermenters ("tini") at temperatures around 30°C; the wine then aged in large Slavonian oak casks for up to 30 months before being left to mature in bottle for about a year in cool, dark cellars.

## TASTING NOTES

This Barolo is traditional in style yet fresh, structured and accessible. The grapes come from different subzones in Serralunga, resulting in a wine with a wide-spectrum of aromas, ranging from ethereal spicy characters to sweet, floral and balsamic notes. Robust tannins and acidity are balanced by the fragrant fruit character of the wine.