

Bellavista,  
**`Alma` Franciacorta Gran Cuvée Brut NV**  
Franciacorta, Lombardia, Italy



Grape Varieties    **88% Chardonnay**  
                          **11% Pinot Noir**  
                          **1% Pinot Bianco**

Winemaker	<b>Mattia Vezzola</b>
Closure	<b>Natural Cork</b>
ABV	<b>12.5%</b>
Residual Sugar	<b>8.2g/L</b>
Acidity	<b>6.2g/L</b>
Wine pH	<b>3.12</b>
Bottle Sizes	<b>37.5cl, 75cl, 150cl</b>
Notes	<b>Vegetarian, Vegan</b>

## PRODUCER

This estate makes Italy's finest sparkling wines from its 200 hectares of vineyard situated in the western part of the Franciacorta zone in a natural amphitheatre. The glacial soil is full of stones, and provides the ideal environment for the Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grapes used in the production of their Franciacorta. Bellavista, meaning 'beautiful view' in Italian, was founded by Vittorio Moretti in the early 1970s, with the first vintage produced in 1979. In 1981, he met a young winemaker, Mattia Vezzola and this partnership transformed Bellavista into Italy's leading producer of quality sparkling wine.

## VINEYARDS

Bellavista owns 190 hectares of vines in 10 communes within the Franciacorta DOCG. The vineyards have some of the best exposure, character and expressive potential in the area. From these vineyards, they produce 103 different parcels of wine.

## VINIFICATION

Made in the 'traditional method', the different parcels of wine are all vinified separately. 15% of the wines used in the blend are fermented and then matured for seven months in small oak barrels. These wines are then blended with the "reserve wines", which come from between six and nine earlier vintages. Once blended, the wine is bottled and the second fermentation takes place in bottle. It is then left to age on the lees for four years before release. The contribution of the reserve wines ensures Bellavista's consistent, signature style in every bottle.

## TASTING NOTES

It has a lively and persistent mousse with fine perlage. It is an attractive pale yellow in colour, with green reflections. Perfumes of white flowers and stone fruits, with subtle hints of vanilla, which follow through on to the palate. Fine, elegant yet rounded and beautifully balanced.

## AWARDS

Champagne & Sparkling Wine World Championships '20, Gold  
International Wine Challenge 2016, Silver  
GOLD - Champagne & Sparkling Wine World Championships '20