

# MONCHIERO



## Barolo 'Pernanno' Riserva

Castiglione Falletto, Piedmont, Italy

### GRAPE VARIETY

100% Nebbiolo

### VINIFICATION

This wine is produced from the 'Pernanno' vineyard, a legally classified Menzione Geografica Aggiuntiva Cru (MGA), specific to Barolo. This favored site stretches down precariously from northern side of Castiglione Falletto with a steep eastern exposure. The soil here is composed of clay and blue grey marl, and typically produces supple, fruit driven Barolo. When the grapes reach their ideal ripeness, they are hand harvested with great care. Maceration lasts 20 days at approximately 82° to 84°F in stainless steel, followed by 20 days of fermentation in stainless steel with pump-over. Aged for three years in Slavonian oak casks followed by two years in bottle.

### ESTATE

The Monchiero family (*pronounced "Mon-khee-eh-ro"*) owns 25 acres of vineyard in Piedmont spread throughout the region, including several renowned plots in Barolo. For generations the family farmed and grew grapes on the Montanello estate, outside the small town of Castiglione Falletto. In the 1950s, the brothers Remo and Maggiorino Monchiero started producing wine under their own family name. The small winery located in Castiglione Falletto was established in the 13th century and purchased by the Monchiero brothers in 1982. Vittorio Monchiero, son of Maggiorino, was trained at the renowned oenological institute in Alba and remains committed to the region's traditional practices. In 2017 his eldest son, Luca, joined the family winery. His youngest son, Stefano, is studying viticulture and will soon do the same.

### TASTING NOTE

This Barolo opens with delicate aromas of berry, rose petal and brush. Dry and full-bodied, the focused palate showcases crushed cherries and spice combined with a whiff of leather, all perched atop fine tannins and bright acidity.

### FOOD PAIRING

Try pairing with ribeye steak topped with bleu cheese sauce, salty cheeses like Parmesan and Pecorino and, truffles, truffles, truffles!

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