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2019

NEBBIOLO

Langhe - Italy



NATURAL



ORGANIC



VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 100% Nebbiolo
Vineyard: Motturone Vineyard
Vine Age: 4-12-years-old
Soil Type: Calcareous clay
Viticulture: Practicing organic
Fermentation: Native – stainless-steel
Skin Contact: 10-16 days
Aging: 12 months in neutral French barrique
Alcohol: 14.1%
pH: 3.31
Total Acidity: 5.69 g/L
Total SO2: 65 ppm
Total Production: 315 cases
UPC: 8051772680732

Reviews

James Suckling | 90 points

About

Nebbiolo, the grape fit for kings. Rarely do we see the feminine side of Nebbiolo, which is one with ripe tannis and lush fruit without being overblown. That is certainly the wine here. The Nebbiolo hails from a one-hectare parcel named Motturone, located in La Morra. The vineyard is located between 900-950 feet in altitude and has an afternoon sun/west-facing slope that really firms up the tannins for the younger vine Nebbiolo. 2019 started with a very wet and cool spring and when the sun started to consistently peek through the clouds, the vines exploded with growth. This was a bit problematic as it required a lot of hands on work earlier than usual and still at risk for the spring hail storms. The hail didn't come but rapid heat did in late June and early July, subsiding nicely though. A few routine storms brought rain over the next few weeks and a second heat wave came toward the end of July, which thankfully was the last of the 'extremes.' August and September were the perfect months to bring the ripeness to ideal levels and harvest commenced without any issues. All in all a very good vintage and though yields were down due to green harvesting, the quality remains very high with moderate tannins on this Langhe Nebbiolo.

The fruit was hand-harvested the first week of October and the fruit was fermented without any additions in open top tanks. Frequent punchdowns over the course of 7-12 days was employed for maceration and extraction. After 3-4 days post-ferment, the wine was pressed to old French barriques for maturation.

Tasting Note

Deep ruby red in color with a slight orange edge. Harmonious well-balanced aroma, a pleasant blend of floral, fruity and soft spicy scents, with a sapid finish of rose and violet. Fresh lively bouquet with harmonious tannins, alcohol and balanced acidity. Soft, elegant and full-bodied with a very long aftertaste. Redolent of freshly macerated red berries, raspberry and redcurrant notes. The finish has moderate tannins and moderate acid and is deeply penetrating.