



RONCOTTO

PROVINCE OF PAVIA RED
regional geographical indication

VINTAGE
2016

TYPE
Red, aged 24 months in barrique

COLOUR
Ruby red, tending to garnet with age

GRAPES
Nebbiolo, Croatina, Sangiovese, Cabernet Sauvignon,
Barbera, Ughetta di Canneto

ALCOHOL
15,5% vol

NOSE
Intense ripe fruit, jam and spices

PALATE
Balanced, harmonic, complex, fairly tannic, great
texture and long persistence

FOOD SUGGESTIONS
Salami, first and second tasty dishes, braised beef,
grilled meat, seasoned cheeses

SERVICE
Open 1 hour in advance and serve at 18-20 °C in large
glasses, like balloons

CELLARING
15+ years

NOTES
*Non filtered, presence of lees is a natural process and it
is an indication of a genuine product*

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Our reality

The vineyards of our farm sit on the west slopes of a hill, historically named Bricco dei Roncotti (the word "bricco" means very steep), and lie at an altitude between 130 and 200 meters a.s.l.. The moon is part of our brand, it reminds the first year of activity, when the buildings hadn't electrical power and candles or the moon itself, extremely bright, enlightened our nights, rising up above the vineyards.

Our philosophy

We cultivated our vineyard with tenacity and passion in respect to nature, following an agricultural integrated production, contributing in a significant way to the conservation of biodiversity and increasing the environment sustainability of our product. The land slope and exposure, the yellow marl soil, the high number of vines per hectare, the small amount of water in the soil, the permanent grass cover, the short and accurate pruning in winter, the green operations in spring and summer lead to manage the vineyard in the best way to have a superior grapes quality and higher sugar content.

Climate

Because of a very dry and hot winter, the vegetative season started very early. Subsequently, in May and June, the rain fell restoring the water in the soil and the climate cooled down so the vines lost the advance earned at the beginning of the season. A very hot July and early August led to a general slowdown in growth and favoured the ripening of the grapes. The second half of August and September gave a cloudless and warm climate, with an optimal day time/night time heat excursion for a good maturation of the grapes.

Harvest

Harvesting is strictly manual and performed at the optimal point of maturation and only the best grapes are transformed in wine. The harvest started on September 23th with Croatina and ended on October 1st with Nebbiolo, on the average of previous years. Grape ripening was optimal for its aromatic and tasteful components.

Vinification

Crushed fresh and healthy grapes, separated vinification for the different grapes according to the day of harvest, regular fermentation punching down skins or pumping over 1-2 times a day. Alcoholic fermentation took place in stainless steel tanks at a temperature between 22 and 28 °C, racking after about 10 days. During winter the wines are pumped into oak barrels for first step of aging, lasted 12 months; then wines are mixed and aged for other 12 months in barriques, followed by further aging in bottle.