



## CORNO DEL DIAVOLO BUTTAFUOCO

controlled designation of origin

VINTAGE  
2018

TYPE  
Red, aged 12 months in barrique

COLOUR  
Ruby red with purple reflection when young

GRAPES  
Croatina 60%, Barbera 25%, Ughetta di Canneto 15%

ALCOHOL  
15,5% vol

NOSE  
Fine, hints of red fruits, cherry and plum jams, mineral and spicy nuances

PALATE  
Full body, balanced, rightly 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  
10+ 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

Bricco dei Roncotti is the name of the hill where our vineyards are located. We are in an area of sandstones, even outcropping, the altitude is between 150 and 230 m asl, the exposure of the vineyards is west, the soils are made up of light crumbly marls, with small lenses of red clays, chalky substrates and fine sands. Ours is recognized as heroic viticulture due to the very high slope, extreme environmental conditions that can only be faced with great passion and dedication.

### Our philosophy

We cultivated our vineyard with tenacity and respect for nature, following an agricultural integrated production, contributing in a significant way to the conservation of biodiversity and improving the environment sustainability of our product. The land slope and exposure, the unique terroir, the high number of vines per hectare, the poor water availability, 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 superior grapes quality.

### Climate

Because of a very dry and warm Winter, the vegetative season started early. April and May were cold and dry, so the vines slowed down growth and the water supply of the land was restored. Very hot July and August, also characterized by some thunderstorms, favored a regular ripening of the grapes. Day time / night time heat excursion was strong during the last weeks before the harvest, ripening was excellent and grapes at the same time maintained freshness.

### Harvest

Harvesting is strictly manual and performed at the optimal point of maturation and only the best grapes are transformed in wine. The harvest took place from September 16<sup>th</sup> to September 19<sup>th</sup>, on the average of previous years. Grape ripening was optimal for its aromatic and tasteful components.

### Vinification

Crushed fresh and healthy grapes, 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 24 and 30 °C. Racking after 1 month and aging in stainless steel tanks. During winter the wine is pumped into barrels and further aging in oak wood lasted 12 months, followed by final aging in bottle.