

ROAGNA

AZIENDA AGRICOLA I PAGLIERI

Opera Prima

Vino rosso da tavola

**Philosophy:**

Opera Prima reflects our winery character, which is very traditional, complex and at the same time fine and elegant. It is a wine resulting from a blend of 2-4 vintages of Nebbiolo grown in Barbaresco. The result is unique: Opera Prima embraces the ever-different greatness of Nebbiolo from this terroir resulting in a wine with an its own history, not connected to the vintages, but with an indissoluble tie to the winery.

Grapes:

100% nebbiolo for Barbaresco
average age of vines: 40 years
mass selection of vines.

Production area:

the grapes assigned to the production of this wine come from vineyards with a Southern, South-Western exposure in Pajè cru. The qualities of marly-calcareous soil in this area in Barbaresco municipality give a great structure and a very complex tannic heritage.

Training System:

low Guyot on hills with good slope.

Yield per Hectare:

50 hectoliters.

Harvest Time:

end of September, October and sometimes first ten days in November.

Vinification:

grapes are hand-picked; soft pressing with destemming. Fermentation in wood casks. Maceration for 70-90 days, so that the autochthonous characteristics of this vine are extracted at maximum.

Aging:

2-6 years in medium-sized French and Slavonian oak casks, then in bottle.
If kept properly it can live 50 years or longer.

Tasting Notes:

garnet-red color. Intense and ethereal nose with a clear aroma of tobacco, wild flowers, spice and "goudron". Full, round and elegant taste with a great structure, consistent with the olfactory sensations.

Food matching:

great structure and elegance, this wine can be matched with red meat, ripe cheese and pasta. Sometimes it might be served as a "vino da meditazione" (meditation wine).

Bottle sizes:

0.375 liters - 0.750 liters - 1.5 liters

How to serve:

Serving temperature: 18°C

We suggest to open the bottle 2 hours earlier than tasting or to pour it in a decanter. To be served in a large burgundy glass.