

# GAJA

## 2021 SORÌ TILDIN, BARBARESCO DOP



### WINERY

Located in Piedmont in northwestern Italy, the GAJA winery is widely considered to be one of the greatest estates in the world, producing coveted and collectible labels.

### WINE

In the local dialect, Sorì refers to the hillside facing south, while Tildin was the diminutive of Clotilde (Angelo Gaja's grandmother).

### VINEYARDS

The Sorì Tildin single vineyard is situated on top of a hill in Barbaresco, just above Costa Russi. The south/southwestern exposure and its amphitheater shape ensure maximum sunshine.

### VINTAGE NOTES

In 2021, the grape harvest yielded thin-skinned grapes that were rich in aroma and color, resulting in structured wines with significant volume, richness, and sweet tannins. Abundant snowfall and low temperatures led to an unusually severe, rainy winter, followed by a dry spring. Temperatures rose in mid-March but dropped again in early April with icy winds. Some lower-altitude vineyards were affected by frost, recording losses between 30% and 5%. The summer had hot, dry days alternating with short, frequent gusts of wind that lowered temperatures. Powdery mildew became a real threat in Barbaresco in July, requiring a lot of attention from our team. After a generally dry season, a redeeming rainfall

came at the end of August, refreshing the Barbaresco region. Nebbiolo ripened slowly, helped by rainfall on September 17, along with a drop in temperatures and dense fog. The harvest began in Barbaresco on September 21. This relatively dry and cold vintage led to a late harvest and resulted in high quality grapes characterized by smaller berries.

### WINEMAKING

Fermentation, maceration and aging in oak for 24 months.

### TASTING NOTES

Expressive nose, with hints of lavender, plum, cherry and blackberry; earthy and spicy notes blend with scents of undergrowth and the freshness of mint. In the mouth it is full and voluminous, with hints of sweet licorice, violet and a fruity, full finish. The acidity is lively, the tannins round and fine.

### VINEYARD

Region:	Piedmont
Appellation:	Barbaresco D.O.P.
Vineyards:	Barbaresco
First Vintage:	1970

### WINEMAKING

Varietals:	Nebbiolo
Aging:	Aged in oak for 24 months

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol:	14%
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