

GAJA



2023 SORÌ SAN LORENZO, 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 San Lorenzo is the patron saint protecting Alba's Cathedral, as the vineyard was church property until 1964, when it was purchased by the Gaja family.

VINEYARDS

The Sorì San Lorenzo single vineyard is located in Barbaresco, close to the historic town center. It is south/southwestern faced and it overlooks the Tanaro River, which regulates temperature and humidity.

WINEMAKING

Fermentation, maceration and aging in oak for 24 months.

VINTAGE NOTES

In March the Tanaro river was dry and the hills barren. From May 1st the character of the vintage suddenly changed completely. Abundant rainfall and temperatures lower than usual in May and June led to vines greater productivity and, as a result,

extended the period for full grapes maturation. July and August were hot and dry, on the 7th of July a violent hailstorm affected the region, fortunately hitting us only marginally. The weather in August was erratic, with drops in temperature, extreme heat and then storms. Despite the grape bunches being larger than usual due to the abundant rains, the summer heat caused greater concentration which balanced the proportion between the skins and the pulp. Grapes showed high levels of malic acid and moderate sugar levels, resulting in wines with exceptional freshness and complex aromas.

TASTING NOTES

Intense and persistent nose, with aromas of black cherry and raspberry, underbrush, and graphite. It is characterized by great energy on the palate, entering smoothly, with significant concentration and structure; the finish is very long and fresh, with plenty of structure, fine and rich tannins, and a sweet cherry flavor.

VINEYARD

Region: Piedmont
Appellation: Barbaresco D.O.P.
Vineyards: Barbaresco
First Vintage: 1967

WINEMAKING

Varietals: Nebbiolo
Aging: Aged in oak for 24 months

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol: 14%