

Robert
Parker
97 PTS
2016

James
Suckling
96 PTS
2015

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TASTING NOTES

An homage to a childhood nickname, this wine represents the "wild airplane" of Clerico's personality. Playful yet full of purpose, vineyard specific Barolo from a modernist.

Domenico Clerico Barolo Aeroplanservaj

COUNTRY ABV
Italy 14.5%

REGION VARIETALS
Piedmont Nebbiolo

APPELLATION
DOCG Barolo

WINERY

Domenico Clerico, who passed away in July 2017, began producing wine in 1976 as one of the progressive "Barolo Boys." With a mix of both modern techniques but deep Langhe roots, Clerico's classification is complicated. Their core winemaking philosophy is the belief that the quality of vines is the sole factor determining a wine's potential.

The estate is situated in Monforte d'Alba, right in the heart of Barolo, with outstanding vineyard holdings in four of the greatest crus of Monforte: Ginestra, Pajana, Mosconi, and Bussia. Clerico's Barolos have been routinely outstanding (90 points or more), including topping Wine Spectator's 2011 Top 100 Wines of the Year, with the Barolo Ciabot Mentin Ginestra 2006 coming in at No. 8. Today, Oscar Arrivabene stands at Clerico's helm, carrying on Domenico's vision and dream of making pure wines that fully express the true character and potential of the land.

CULTIVATION

Aeroplanservaj translates from the local dialect to "wild airplane" or wild spirit, Domenico's nickname as a child. He had an incredible imagination and always looked at the possibility and potential rather than what was directly in front of him. This is the only bottling outside of Monforte d'Alba, offering a more austere wine with remarkable elegance and freshness. Only produced in great vintages. Cru Baudana, Serralunga d'Alba. Western exposure.

VINIFICATION

Maceration on the skins for 24 months.

AGING

Aged for 24 months barrique (30% new, 70% used), 2+ years in bottle.

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