

Robert
Parker
97 PTS
2016

James
Suckling
97 PTS
2016

Wine
Spectator
95 PTS
2016



TASTING NOTES

The most serious of the wines from Clerico every year, the most powerful in concentration and structure of the 3 single vineyards offered.

Domenico Clerico Barolo Ciabot Mentin

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

The Ciabot Mentin vineyard is a challenging vineyard to work and was Domenico’s defining wine, directly reflecting the vintage, his skill and his winemaking style. Of the three single vineyards, Ciabot is the most powerful.

VINIFICATION

Maceration on skins for 20-25 days.

AGING

Aged for 16 months barrique, constant tastings to select the best barrique, then assembling barrel. 16 months in barrel (50hL), 2+ years in bottle.