

TREDIBERRI

Tucked away in the extreme western edge of the Barolo zone, Berri is a small hamlet that has enjoyed a rich history of viticulture for centuries.



Barbera d'Alba DOC 2019

Barbera d'Alba, Italy

ESTATE

Trediberry prides themselves on their upstart status. In 2007, Nicola Oberto, along with his father Federico and their close friend Vladimiro Rambaldi, acquired five hectares (12.5 acres) exclusively for the production of Barolo. The Trediberry, or "three of Berri," was born. Unable to resist the pull of the family business, Nicola follows in the footsteps of his father, the seasoned former cellar master for La Morra's Renato Ratti.

WINE

The grapes for this Barbera are sourced from the sandier soils of Roero and several vineyards just outside the hamlet of Torriglione. Like the Dolcetto, fermentation takes place in concrete and stainless steel tanks and only uses indigenous yeasts. Interestingly, the Barbera is the only varietal at Trediberry that is subjected to an aggressive green harvest. The resulting wine is rich and round, and the absence of oak brings intense purity.

VINEYARD

Soils: The steep slopes of Torriglione are dominated by compact blue marl, which is about 40% limestone, 35% clay and 25% sand. It is located at the foot of Rocche dell'Annunziata, just below the winery.

Farming: Trediberry utilizes organic farming practices; they do not currently seek certification

WINEMAKING

Harvest: Aggressive green harvest is used in order to reduce yields

Variety: Barbera

Fermentation: Alcoholic fermentation occurs in stainless steel and/or concrete, lasting for 12-15 days. Malolactic fermentation follows in stainless steel and is finished with cold stabilization.

Aging: Seeing no contact with oak in order to preserve the bright acidity and high level of alcohol.

Alcohol: 14.5%

VINTAGE

2019 turned out to be a beautiful vintage, even though the early spring was characterized by high temperatures. The summer heat was moderated by particularly cool evenings – particularly in the last couple weeks of September.

Robert Parker
WINE ADVOCATE

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"This is a terrific expression that puts emphasis on elegance and streamlined intensity. As far as this normally plump and succulent grape goes, the Trediberry 2019 Barbera d'Alba is lightweight in texture and luminous in appearance. The wine offers a more compact interpretation that ultimately delivers great clarity and grape purity. Tart berry and white cherry segue to light spice and herbal accents of dried mint and basil." - Monica Lamer, 7/2020