

*Poderi
Gianni Gagliardo*

BAROLO del Comune di La Morra 2019

MGA Santa Maria & Serra dei Turchi

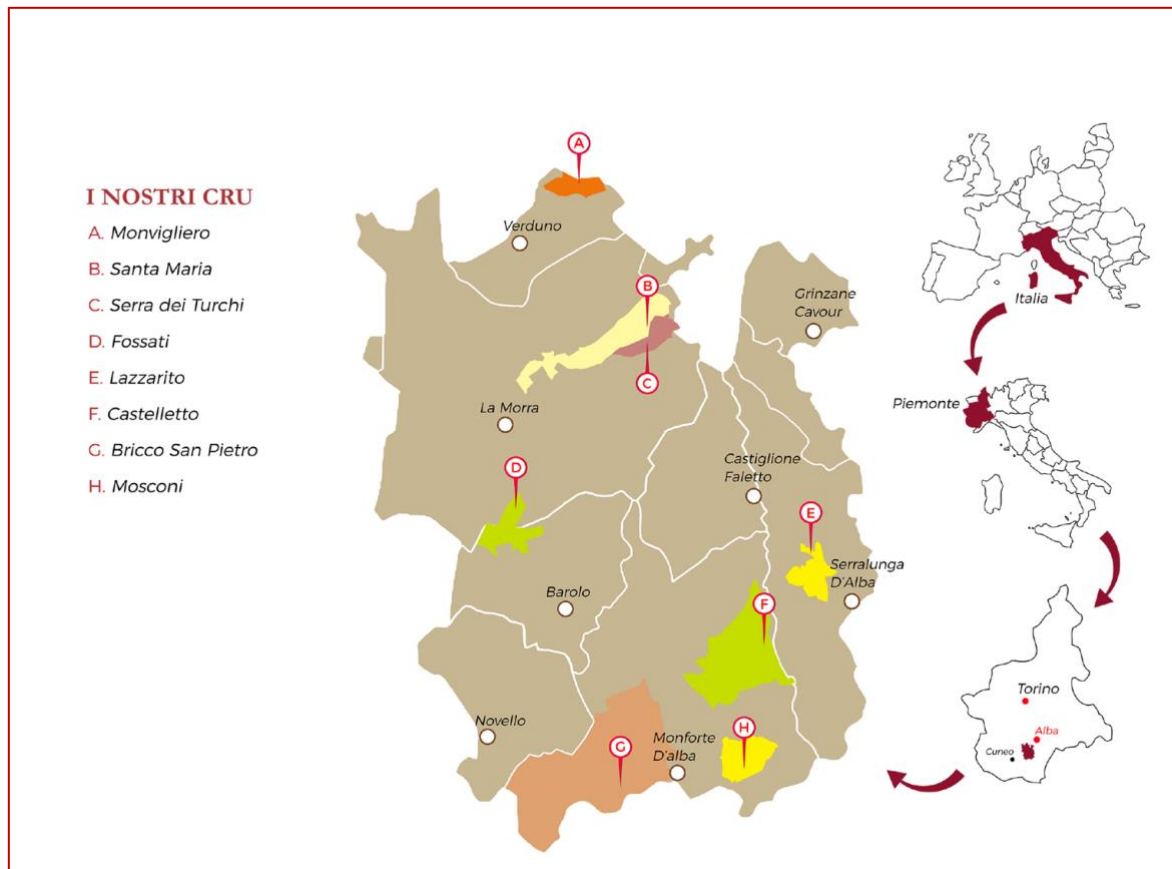
Municipality: La Morra

Lesser knows Barolo appellation, the “Comunale” can be produced by multiple parcels within the same village. So by its 11 villages, the Barolo area can produce 11 Barolo Comunali.

Poderi Gianni Gagliardo makes two of them. The La Morra since vintage 2016 and Monforte since 2020, that will be release for the first time in 2024.

Barolo del Comune di La Morra Poderi Gianni Gagliardo is made by a specific zone of La Morra. It's the area surrounding the cellar, with a lower altitude compared to the village average. It's a place historically recognized by local winemaker to source flavours, ethereal notes, and early expressing wines.





DETAILS

The two plots used for Barolo del Comune di La Morra are located nearby on the same hill. However, they are very different from each other. Cru Santa Maria is a plateau that drifts towards west, it's very open and exposed, almost a donkey back shape. This allows a lot of energy to accumulate on the grapes and wines. The second plot, Cru Serra dei Turchi, is a made by a south faced amphitheater and a hump. Is this second parcel that gives the elegant side of the blend.

TASTING NOTES

Medium ruby color with medium transparency and small garnet variation on the rim. Intense strawberries, raspberries syrup and cranberries juice with cherries and plums pulps. Balsamic touch with musk, lichen, and pine resin. Orange zest finish, light spices, and liquorice powder. Smooth but firm tannins.

FOOD MATCH

ITALIAN: Pan-seared Beef medallions with pomegranate sauce

USA: Herbed roast boneless pork loin chops paired with a tangy raspberry sauce

ASIAN: Deep fried pork served in a sweet and sour sauce

SCORES

2018: 95/100 (Winescritic.com), 92/100 (James Suckling, Wine Advocate, Tom Hyland, Luca Maroni)

2017: 93/100 (Winescritic.com, James Suckling), 92/100 (Tom Hyland, Luca Maroni), 90/100(Wine Advocate)

2016: 97/100 (Winescritic.com), 94/100 (James Suckling), 93/100 (Wine Advocate), 91/100 (Luca Maroni)

Total Production Barolo del Comune di La Morra 2019 Poderi Gianni Gagliardo

4.246 numbered bottles and 100 Magnums

2019 by the Consortium

THE 2019 BAROLO & BARBARESCO HARVEST REPORT INDICATES A CLASSIC VINTAGE WITH QUALITY FRUIT AND STRONG AGING POTENTIAL

A slight drop in production and a long growing season show promise for the 2019 vintage.

The Consorzio di Tutela Barolo Barbaresco Alba Langhe e Dogliani, the association representing almost 500 wineries in Piedmont, Italy, is pleased to release the 2019 Barolo & Barbaresco harvest report. Unlike 2018, which was particularly precocious, 2019 has demonstrated to be a classic vintage, showing signs of good structure, ideal balance, and excellent aging ability. This news comes in anticipation of the Barolo & Barbaresco World Opening event in New York City, February 4th and 5th, 2020, where an array of vintages currently available on the market will be poured for press, trade, and consumers.

The growth year started slowly for Barolo & Barbaresco due to winter weather conditions pushing through February, followed by a period of rain and low temperatures until the middle of March. April brought continued wet conditions with more moderate temperatures and the opportunity for water to accumulate in the soil. Due to this water accumulation and a spike in temperatures during June, rapid plant growth occurred at the beginning of Summer. As a result, vineyard managers were required to pay close attention to protecting the plant from potential health issues. The hottest period in the season was recorded between the last week in June and the first in July, followed by days on which milder temperatures alternated with rain. A second heatwave was recorded at the end of July, ending in intense storms that did not damage the vines; the remainder of the summer season was marked by a mild climate, with regular, sporadic rainfall.

September began with a hailstorm that caused substantial damage in two localized areas on the hills around Alba, missing most of the Barolo & Barbaresco region. Harvest commenced for Nebbiolo during the second half of October and exhibited fruit with good sugar levels and a superb polyphenol profile. The wines can be expected to have brilliant color, excellent structure, and age ability. Overall, 2019 is a traditional vintage with high-quality production despite a slight drop in quantity in comparison to 2018.

“The 2019 harvest hasn’t been abundant, but the quality of grapes is well above average,” confirmed the Consorzio’s technical office, “As a result, we can expect great wines with distinctive character.”