

HB Wine Merchants presents wines from: **Paolo Manzone**



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Langhe Rosso 'Ardi'

DOC



Brand Highlights

- A blend of Barbera and Dolcetto from Estate Vineyards
- Estate bottled by Paolo Manzone from the best district from low yields for true varietal character
- Ardi is the nickname in Piedmont for a “cute boy”, someone who is like this wine- friendly, fresh and easy drinking

The Estate

Paolo Manzone and his wife Luisella own and operate the estate located in Serralunga d'Alba and they own and farm 14 hectares of vineyards. The land and vineyards have been handed down from father to son for generations and the production ranges from Dolcetto d'Alba, to Barbera d'Alba, to Nebbiolo d'Alba to Barolo and even Arneis. The estate consists of hand tended vines with full regard to the traditional methods realizing the quality is made by the vines. Manzone is also a member of The Green Experience which is unique to the Piedmont region centered in the Langhe to protect and enhance biodiversity, sustainability, and to be ecologically respectful. No chemicals are used in the agriculture and priorities are given to agronomic solutions, respect for the soil, use of floral and herbal essences along with respect and honesty towards consumers insured by traceability and external certification. The winery and house is located entirely in the Cru Meriame di Serralunga having belonged to Luisella's family for generations. To be more precise it is located on the Western Slopes between Baudana and Lazzarito Crus in a small amphitheater facing South, South West in front of Castiglione Falletto.

Wine Making

Hand harvested grapes are where the first selections are made and are then carried to the winery in 20Kg bins to insure they arrive fully intact. First produced in 2008 from the area of Sinio, part of the wine is all stainless steel aged while the other part spends time in French oak tonneau. The vineyard is 400 meters in elevation facing South East and this wine is made from the gentle pressing of destemmed grapes at low temperatures in stainless steel tanks to preserve the fruit and eliminate oxidation.

Tasting Notes

This wine is ruby red with a dark crimson edge. Fresh dark berry and plum fruit notes combine with a hint of spice and cocoa. There is a harmonious balance of medium body, gently grippy tannins leading to a smooth, long, and pleasant finish.

Press

- ◆ 2024 Vintage **91 Points**—James Suckling
- ◆ 2023 Vintage **89 Points**—Wine Enthusiast

Product Specifications

- Pack: 750mL/12 [Cork]
- UPC: 8 75734 00278 7
- SCC: 1 08 75734 00278 4
- Case: 12.2" x 10.2" x 13.2"