

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



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Barolo Riserva 'Cru Meriame'

DOCG



Brand Highlights

- 100% Nebbiolo from the Serralunga region first produced in 2008 and only in the finest vintages
- Estate bottled by Paolo Manzone from the best district from low yields for true varietal character
- The estate Cru Meriame vineyards are used to make this wine from older choice parcels with a special selection and aging

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. Only 150 cases of this wine are produced when possible.

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 1999 from a severe selection of the best fruit from the cru vineyard at an elevation of 350 meters, it is all stainless steel fermented and then aged in Slavonian oak large ovals (15HI) for 36 months and 20 months in ceramic amphorae.

Tasting Notes

Super, rich Nebbiolo nose of ripe red berries and a mix of oak-spice and sous-bois notes. The same complexity on the palate, which is full and well-balanced, with fine, firm tannins that will take a good while yet to meld into the wine. Nicely poised for long aging.

Press

- ◆ 2016 vintage—**94 Points** James Suckling
- ◆ 2015 vintage—**93 Points** James Suckling
- ◆ 2013 vintage—**93 Points** James Suckling

Product Specifications

- Available in 12/750mL w/cork
- UPC: 8 75734 00274 9
- SCC: 1 08 75734 00274 6
- Case (in.): 10.7" x 12.7" x 7.3"