LUIGI BAUDANA

BAROLO

DENOMINAZIONE DI ORIGINE CONTROLLATA E GARANTITA

BAUDANA 2021

DESCRIPTION: Baudana is a hidden gem among the historical vineyards of Serralunga d'Alba. It is located on the western slope, just north of Parafada and Lazzarito. Rather uniquely, the soil here is a combination of Formazioni di Lequio and Sant'Agata marls: two different epochs (Serravallian and Tortonian) melting together in one place. Once celebrated, then forgotten, it's an honor to farm this vineyard today.

VARIETY: 100% Nebbiolo grapes.

VINEYARD AND TERROIR: Baudana MGA, Comune di Serralunga d'Alba.

GROWING: Luigi and Fiorina have always tended their vines with incredible love. One episode really illustrates their care. Summer of 2008, two days after a serious hailstorm had hit Serralunga: their vineyards showed no signs of damage because the couple had 'cleaned' every single bunch to make sure ruined berries wouldn't affect the rest of the fruit. Since 2009, the vineyards have been tended under the Vajra's organic protocol. Intense research is also placed into monitoring and improving the biodiversity of both flora and fauna not just in the vineyards, but also in the winery fields and forests. The winery is sustainably and biologically certified.

VINTAGE: 2021 vintage is set to provide some world class wines. Despite a frost alert in the spring, and a few violent hailstorms during summer, the season was generally very positive, moderately dry and with late harvests. All grapes have abundance of acidity and good phenolics, and the shortage of nitrogen in the fruit allowed for some of the longest and most gentle fermentations in recent years.

HARVEST AND WINEMAKING: In Serralunga d'Alba, Nebbiolo usually ripens a few days earlier than in Barolo. In 2021, fruit was picked on October 14th. A delicate fermentation in open-top tini was followed by submerged cap maceration for 54 days. The spontaneous malolactic fermentation unfolded in the following spring.

AGING: The 2021 Baudana aged 23 months in custom-made Slavonian casks of 15, 17 and 25 hectolitres. It was bottled on June 25th 2024.

TASTING NOTES: The 2021 Barolo DOCG Baudana shows a lovely ruby red hue. The nose opens with attractive tones of pomegranate, orange peel, fresh blueberries and whiffles of leather and herbs.
Fine-grained, chiseled tannins are wrapped by a long and lingering finish, with signature notes of Serralunga d'Alba: eucalyptus, blueberry and sweet liquorice.

FORMAT AND CLOSURE: 0,75L, cork.

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