

## Vietti 2016

*“For many growers, the 2016s are not just epic, they are career-defining wines.  
Chiara and Giorgio Boschis at E. Pira, Maria Teresa Mascarello,  
Fabio Alessandria at Burlotto and Luca and Elena Currado at Vietti are among  
the producers who made breathtaking wines of the very highest level.”*  
Antonio Galloni

In 2012, under the leadership of Alessandro Ceretto, the Ceretto family began the lengthy process of obtaining Organic certification for all of their vineyard holdings. The Ceretto family does not apply herbicides in the vineyards and fertilizes with manure only. Green cover crops are planted between the rows of vines to reinforce soil fertility and structure. And in the single vineyards, natural sprays are applied to vines to boost plant vitality and photosynthetic capacity. All this is aimed at developing a sensitive and healthy vineyard system capable of maintaining its own natural resources over time.

*“2016 is the vintage we are all waiting for, the season was one of the longest ever, from bud break to the harvest. The season started early, because of a mild winter, while spring was cold and rainy, and the maturation started to slow down. Even from the earliest moments, each cru showed their clear differences due to different terroirs. This was the signal that led me consider the 2016 a beautiful vintage ... when each MGA is showing exactly what you expect. The 2016 is a vintage that I suggest to the Barolo lovers not to miss For me, 2016 is just a perfection of the beautiful Nebbiolo balance - it's like a beautiful opera ballerina dancer: all the movements are just perfect and graceful, I think it will not be easy to match a mix of crus like this in the future, since there are at least two of them I can consider the best I did in my 30-year career.”* Luca Currado, Vietti

### 2016 Barolo Ravera

**£600 c/s In Bond** (3 bts per case)



The 2016 Barolo Ravera is bursting with all of the tension that is the most singular characteristic of this site. Freshly cut flowers, white pepper and mint lend energy to a wine that is very shy and tightly wound today. Then again, it is Ravera. Macerated dark cherry, lavender, mint, crushed rocks and sage race out of the glass in a potent, stunning Barolo endowed with magnificent purity and translucency. The 2016 is quite simply a stunning, breathtaking wine. Don't miss it.

**100 Points, Antonio Galloni**

### 2016 Barolo Rocche di Castiglione

**£425 c/s In Bond** (3 bts per case)



The 2016 Barolo Rocche di Castiglione is rich, sumptuous and elegant. Light on its feet yet also wonderfully deep and nuanced, the 2016 possesses off-the-charts resonance, energy and aromatic intensity. All the elements come together in a profoundly expressive Barolo endowed with tremendous class and pedigree. Ample, creamy and explosive, this is a wine of textural resonance and pure power.

**99 Points, Antonio Galloni**

## 2016 Barolo Lazzarito

**£425 c/s In Bond** (3 bts per case)



The 2016 Barolo Lazzarito is another stunning wine in this range. The 2016 is the first vintage of the Lazzarito I can remember tasting in which intensely mineral notes accompany the more savory, earthy notes that are so typical of this site. Graphite, sage, dried flowers, crushed rocks, menthol, dried rose petal, mint, licorice and blood orange race out of the glass in a breathtaking, towering Barolo that hits all the right notes from the start to its chiseled, strikingly detailed finish. The 2016 Lazzarito is one of the most classically austere wines in this range. In a word: Magnificent.

**98 Points, Antonio Galloni**

## 2016 Barolo Brunate

**£450 c/s In Bond** (3 bts per case)



The 2016 Barolo Brunate is a powerful, vertical wine endowed with tremendous explosive energy and intensity. Crushed flowers, mint, spice and dried flowers open up in the glass, but it is the wine's energy that really elevates it into the stratosphere. In the glass, the 2016 is dark, somber and full of the sepia-toned nuances that are such signatures of this great Barolo vineyard. This is the first vintage that includes Vietti's newest parcel in Brunate. Perhaps more importantly, though, the 2016 is the first vintage in which French oak is minimal. This is a stunning vintage for the Brunate.

**98 Points, Antonio Galloni**

## 2016 Barolo Castiglione

**£185 c/s In Bond** (6 bts per case)

**£70 Magnum In Bond** (1 Magnum per case)



The 2016 Barolo Castiglione is a dazzling wine that will show readers just how compelling this vintage is, even among entry-level wines from top producers. Rich, ample and explosive, the 2016 possesses tremendous richness and resonance from the very first taste. Bright red cherry and red plum fruit, wild flowers, mint, blood orange and spice build as this sumptuous, dramatic Barolo shows all it's got. As always, the Castiglione is built on a core of fruit from Ravera. In 2016, the Castiglione benefits from the inclusion of several new sites, including Ginestra, Mosconi, Bricco Ravera (in Monforte), Le Coste, Costabelle, Meriame, Briccolina and Codana. All I can say is: What a wine!

**94 Points, Antonio Galloni**

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*Delivery will be charged at cost.*

*Wines to be shipped late 2020.*