

Azelia 2017

We are delighted to offer the 2017's from Azelia. Stylistically these sit somewhere between 2015 and 2016 with more finesse and freshness than the former but more ripeness but less concentration than the latter.

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"This is an impressive set of Barolos from Azelia. That's not entirely surprising given the level of quality here in recent years. "We left as much leaf cover as we could to protect the grapes from the strong impact of the sun," Lorenzo Scavino explained, repeating an approach favored by many growers in 2017. "The biggest challenge was drought rather than heat, but we had a bit of rain in early September that was much needed and helped restore balance." Harvest started around September 26 and finished on October 5, which is on the later side for the year, but also about three weeks ahead of schedule. In the cellar, the Lorenzo and Luigi Scavino shortened macerations about ten days to around fifty days on the skins, with submerged cap maceration. All of the Barolos are now aged entirely in cask. I have said it before, but it bears repeating: Azelia remains one of the undiscovered jewels in Barolo."

Antonio Galloni



2017 Barolo

£275 c/s In Bond – 7 cases available (12 bottles per case)

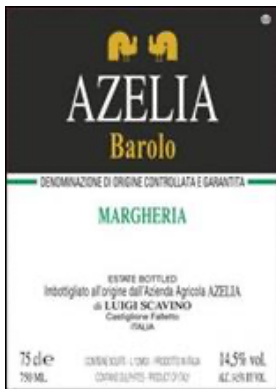
Made from a selection of grapes from 45 year old vines across five different Crus from the Castiglione (30% percent) and Serralunga (70%) communes. The wine is aged in large slavian oak "botti" / barrels, so there is very little oak influence.

The 2017 Barolo is a gorgeous entry-level wine. Scorched earth, tar, licorice, black cherry and gravel give the Barolo an unusually dark, brooding profile in 2017. As it often is, the 2017 Azelia Barolo offers tremendous character and nuance in its peer group, or any peer group for that matter.

Translucent and so expressive, the 2017 has a lot to offer.

91 Points, Antonio Galloni

Special Azelia Parcel Offer – Buy one case (6 bts per case) of each of the Cru below for £925 In Bond.



2017 Barolo Margheria

£325 c/s In Bond – 6 cases available (6 bottles per case)

£345 c/s In Bond – 3 cases available (3 magnums per case)

Entirely facing south the vineyard is situated in the centre of the commune of Serralunga on the hill which extends below the castle of the town. Complex aromas, black fruits, licorice and spices in the typical Serralunga style. The vines are 60 years old, and the soils are rich with limestone clay. Azelia's vines sit alongside those used for Gaja's Sperss. Aged in the traditional way, for 28 months in large slavian oak botti.

The 2017 Barolo Margheria is gorgeous. Open, perfumed aromatics are immediately alluring. On the palate, the 2017 is a dark, mysterious wine, with layers of flavor that continue to develop over time. Dark cherry, blood orange, spice, leather, iron and scorched earth add striking layers of nuance. The tannins are potent - we are in Serralunga after all - but the 2017 has so much to offer. It's a gorgeous Barolo to enjoy over the next two decades, maybe more.

94 Points, Antonio Galloni



2017 Barolo San Rocco

£325 c/s In Bond – 6 cases available (6 bottles per case)

£345 c/s In Bond – 3 cases available (3 magnums per case)

The vineyard stands on a hill in front of the church of San Rocco in the commune of Serralunga that faces south and south west. Here Serralunga is present with signs of licorice, spices and dark fruits. San Rocco was purchased by Luigi Scavino's father in the 1990s. The vines are 66 years old today.

The 2017 Barolo San Rocco is powerful and tightly wound. All of its energy is focused inward today. There is terrific brightness and focus to the red berry fruit, but the 2017 is not in a mood to show much today. Readers will have to be patient. I am encouraged by the wine's solid feel and pure power.

94 Points, Antonio Galloni



2017 Barolo Bricco Fiasco

@ £325 c/s In Bond – 8 cases available (6 bottles per case)

@ £345 c/s In Bond – 3 cases available (3 magnums per case)

The 2017 Barolo Bricco Fiasco is made with fruit from 80-year-old vines that were planted by Luigi Scavino's grandfather. This vineyard in Castiglione Falletto has more sand in the soil compared to Serralunga d'Alba, resulting in floral and fruity aromas.

The 2017 Barolo Bricco Fiasco is bright and effusive from the very first taste. Crushed flowers, red berry fruit, orange peel, spice and mint all grace this nervy, mid-weight Barolo. Medium in body and translucent, the 2017 has quite a bit to offer. It is an especially savory, linear Barolo.

93 Points, Antonio Galloni

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Wines to be shipped winter 2021.