

# *Prunotto*



## BARBERA D'ALBA 2022

### Classificazione

DOC

### Annata

2022

### Climate

The 2022 vintage will be remembered for the early and surprising growing season. Early because the grape harvest had already been completed at the beginning of October and surprising because, considering weather patterns, the grape vines proved once again to be exceptionally resilient. Winter weather was unusual from the very beginning of the season, mild and dry conditions persisted throughout the entire vegetative cycle. Significant lack of precipitation and temperatures that rose above seasonal averages in June and July caused the vines to respond by limiting vegetative growth and reducing cluster size. Under these circumstances, perfectly healthy grapes progressed to ripeness, however berries were smaller in size and had high sugar concentration levels. Harvesting operations for Barbero d'Alba DOC began on September 10<sup>th</sup> and were completed on September 21<sup>st</sup>.

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## Harvest and Vinification

The grapes were perfectly healthy with excellent balance in all components; sugar levels, acidity and phenolic compounds. The grapes were destemmed and crushed. Maceration on the skins lasted 5 to 7 days at a temperature of 28-30 °C (82-86 °F). Malolactic fermentation was completed mid December. The different lots from different vineyard parcels were blended in spring and then bottled.

## Historical Data

A traditional Barbera, fresh and easy to drink, from vineyards whose soils are composed of clay and sand. A wine with great balance enriched by short-term aging in oak barrels.

## Tasting Notes

Prunotto's Barbera d'Alba is ruby red with purple highlights. Grapey on the nose with fresh floral aromas of roses that blend with hints of ripe fruit and spicy notes. The palate is full and balanced.