TUTTO

CASCINA TAVIJN

Monferrato, Piemonte



Nadia Verrua's family has been making wines in the hills of Monferrato in the province of Asti for over a century.

Their ten hectares of fascinating local grape varieties are farmed organically, planted over soft, sandy slopes in Scurzolengo, Castagnole Monferrato and Montemagno. They also keep a large number of hazelnut trees and it is little secret that Nadia's mum Teresa makes one of the best torta di nocciole in all of Piemonte.

In the simple, old fashioned cantina beneath the family's home, the wines are made with simple tools and raised in a mixture of big old botti, vats and cement, with nothing added at any stage.

The results are rustic, charming wines which are full of life and encapsulate all that is great about Italian vino da tavola.

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BANDITA 2020

Barbera d'Asti from her vines of around forty years old, planted over the region's characteristically steep slopes and soft, sandy soils. This spent two months on skins, followed by a year in vat and another in large old casks. As pure an expression of the grape as you'll find, with brambly fruit, a little tannin and the variety's hallmark acidity making for a vibrant wine of real charm.