## G.D.VAIRA BAROLO



## rosa bella

VINO ROSATO 2022

Rosabella is the beauty of spring flowers and wild berries. This is Piemonte in its most transparent essence; a rosé dressed in aromatics, lift and minerality.

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**DESCRIPTION:** Rosabella is our rosé de saignée. The early picking and a gentle maceration express the grape aromatics in a fragrant, translucent style. This is a seasonal, limited production that shows a surprising capacity of evolution. 2022 is incredibly balanced and ethereal.

VINEYARD AND TERROIR: Young vineyards located very close to our winery.

**GROWING:** In 1971, Aldo Vajra, then still a university student, was one of the earliest to adopt organic farming in Piemonte. Vineyards have been nurtured, and soil preserved, by grassing and spontaneous cover crop for almost 50 years now. They are sustainable and organic certified. With an incredible ratio of manual work per hectare, farming at Vajra is a labor of love and "recipe-free" attention. 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.

**HARVEST AND WINEMAKING:** In 2022, fruit was picked in a prolonged time window, between August 20th and October 5th. Free temperature of fermentation, below 24°C. No malolactic fermentation.

**AGING:** Short time in stainless-steel tanks at low temperature, prior to bottling.

**VINTAGE:** The year started with extremely dry weather and warm daytime temperatures. By March, the water table was partially restored due to snow and rainfall in the mountains. Budbreak began on March 25th and the following two months saw a succession of gentle rainfall as well as very severe hailstorms that our vineyards luckily avoided. After a progressive flowering, warm weather settled in early June and lasted through the summer. Once September came around, the temperature dropped, resulting in ideal conditions for the Nebbiolo harvest. Picking started on August 16th and was completed by October 14th.

2022 was a great reminder of how beautifully resilient vines are, and resulted in low yields yet vibrant, flavorful and juicy wines.

**TASTING NOTES:** Incredibly ethereal, dominated by the presence of Nebbiolo. The bouquet reveals notes of jasmine, rose petals, white raspberries, pink salt and high mountain flowers. The palate features the signature freshness of Nebbiolo, with an initial lush, salty texture and balanced acidity, an aerial balance and a superb drinkability.



