

*Franco Conterno*

RED WINE

## Barolo Riserva DOCG *Sette7anni*



**Denomination:** Barolo Riserva DOCG

**Cru:** Bussia, Pugnane and Panerole

**Solar exposure:** South/South-West

**Composition of the soil:** very steep, plastic, hardly workable and rich in clay

**Grape variety:** Nebbiolo Michet and Nebbiolo Lampia

**Production area:** Monforte d'Alba, Castiglione Falletto and Novello

**Harvest:** manual, with grape selection at the vineyard and before crushing.

**Harvest time:** end of October.

**Grapes per hectare:** 5.000

**Vinification:** in red, with skin maceration in wood vat.

**Fermentation time:** must and skins are kept in contact for 20-30 days, on which alcoholic fermentation takes place, punched down manually daily and finally racked.

**Fermentation temperature:** variable with peaks of 32°C.

**Ageing in cellar:** the new wine is kept from 3 to 5 months in steel tanks and undergoes malolactic fermentation; it is decanted several times, and finally aged in French oak barrels (25hl capacity) for 84 months (7 years).

**Ageing in bottle:** 12 months.

**Bottles produced:** n. 3.000 of 0.75 L each, 200 magnum of 1.5 L each, 15 magnum of 3 L each, 5 magnum of 5 L each.

**Food pairing:** braised beef, red meat, shank, duck, long seasoned cheese.

**Serving temperature:** 16° - 18°

**Alcohol content:** range from 14 to 15% Alc/Vol depending on the vintage.

*Brilliant ruby red in colour with soft orange notes, it is rich and complex on the nose with floral hints enhanced by traditionally new wood. Rich, sweet, thick, tannic, rough, and strong on the palate.*

