



1215 Wine Bar & Coffee Lab

G.D. Vajra, "Clare J.C." Nebbiolo 2022

Varietal:

Nebbiolo

Region:

Piedmont, Italy

Farming:

Practicing Organic, Certified Sustainable

Soil Type:

Clay, Limestone, Sand

Fermentation:

Stainless Steel

Dry/Sweet:

Dry

Body:

3/5

Acid:

4/5

Tannin:

3/5

ABOUT THE WINE

"G.D. Vajra was born out of a revolutionary spirit. In 1968, a 15-year-old Aldo Vaira was banished to his grandparents' property in Barolo after getting mixed up in political protests. Aldo's youthful energies quickly transferred to farming and within a few years he took over his family's estate. The revolutionary spirit is evidenced in G.D. Vajra being the first winery in the Barolo region to adopt organic farming, which occurred in 1971. In addition in 1985 they were the first to plant Riesling. Vajra is a champion of some of the lesser appreciated indigenous grapes of Piedmont including Dolcetto, Barbera and Freisa. They also make three single vineyard Barolos including the incredible Bricco delle Viole from a vineyard, that at 1,500 feet, is amongst the highest in the comune di Barolo. Today the estate is still run on organic principles by Aldo, his wife Milena and his children Giuseppe, Francesca and Isidoro. Grape Collective talks to Giuseppe Vaira about the unique family story and the evolution of winemaking in Barolo." - The Grape Collective

We've carried Vajra's wines in some form or another for longer than we can remember! His wines are accessible, classic, and always so dang tasty. This Nebbiolo is a harkening back to how Nebbiolo was made in the 1600s. "Clare' JC is a unique wine, our take on the forgotten days of Nebbiolo, when it was enjoyed in its lighter and fresher garment. The winemaking protocol follows the 1606 writings of G.B. Croce, jeweler of the House of Savoia: the wine is bottled soon after the fermentation so as to retain a gentle off-dry finish and a lovely energy. The 2022 Clare' JC shows gorgeous cherry and Nebbiolo tones on the nose and a very silky and flowerful finish." - G.D. Vajra Winery

It's unique, juicy, flavorful and above all fresh and young. It's still so incredibly food friendly and still has the complexity that only Nebbiolo can give but is also drinkable now without needing any age or storage.

Fruit and structure are perfectly balanced in this traditionally made style of Nebbiolo. Ready for any meal!

