



## 2016 MONTEGRILLI NEBBIOLO LANGHE DOC

### THE STORY

This wine is dedicated to Valter Fissore's grandfather, Eugenio, who had a vineyard named Montegrilli in the Roero area of the Langhe.

### 2016 VINTAGE NOTES

Due to an early season that started with mild temperatures in January and February, 2016 was one of the longest seasons ever recorded. The following months dropped in temperature to slow down the cycle. Heavy rains in April did not create any problems due to average daily temperatures and low overnight minimums. This slightly physiological delay created ideal conditions. All the red grapes were very healthy and evenly ripened, showing a perfect balance between quality and quantity.

### VINEYARDS

<b>Varietal Composition:</b>	100% Nebbiolo
<b>Sources:</b>	100% estate vineyards in the mid-hill region of Ravera, village of Novello, a selection from the Nebbiolo vineyards for Barolo
<b>Area:</b>	One hectare (2.471 acres)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Southern
<b>Altitude:</b>	300 meters (984 feet) above sea level
<b>Soil Composition:</b>	Limestone and clay
<b>Vine Age:</b>	Average age from 10 - 15 years
<b>Vine Density:</b>	4,000 vines/hectare (1,619 vines/acre)
<b>Cultivation:</b>	Vertical trellising, Guyot pruning, 100% organic (not yet certified)

### VINIFICATION

<b>Fermentation:</b>	100% in stainless steel fermenters with 7 - 10 days skin contact, temperature controlled, automatic pump-overs; 100% with indigenous yeast
<b>Malolactic Fermentation:</b>	100% in steel fermenters
<b>Aging:</b>	No barrel aging; bottle aged for six months Bottled without filtration
<b>Cases Produced:</b>	830 (12/750ml)
<b>Cases Imported:</b>	160
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14%

### TASTING NOTES

Ruby red in color with purple reflections. The bouquet offers a wide range of aromas primarily of blackberry, blueberry and plum. There are intense floral notes of rose and violet. The mouth is round and fresh, with soft and velvety tannins that give a very long and pleasant aftertaste. Very approachable.