# BERTANI DOMAINS





### WELCOME TO THE BERTANI ACADEMY



Quality & Style in Valpolicella: Valpolicella, Ripasso, Verona IGT & Amarone seminar & tasting



# WE ARE PROUD OF THIS STRONG HERITAGE BRAND!



# BERTANI®

VITIVINICOLTORI DAL 1857



## Who are we?

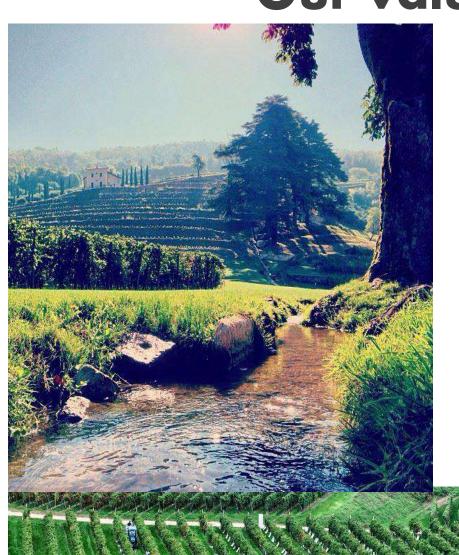
### WE ARE THE TRADITION AND THE INNOVATION!



Our wine has always been a reflection of the personality of the people who make a remarkable wine with its own unique features and a strong character. This is the result of our historic vocation and authentic, as well as Innovative, know-how.



## Our values since 1857



- UNIQUENESS
- AUTHENTICITY
- CONSISTENCY AND FRANCKNESS
- UNCOMPROMISING STYLE OF WINES

**Everything comes from a STRONG RESPECT OF THE TERROIR** 



# **BERTANI: Century of History**



1857 Giovannibattista and Giovanni Bertani found in Valpantena the winery

**1870** Secco Bertani is produced for the first time

**1923** The Savoia grant Bertani the royal crest



1928 Excellent vintage: Acinatico is produced

1937 Soave Bertani is chosen to celebrate the crowning of George VI of England



1958 First official vintage of Amarone Classico Bertani



.... SINCE 1857 BERTANI KEEPS ON BEING THE MASTER OF AMARONE AND VALPOLICELLA/VERONESE WINES. AN ICON

## BERTANI: a history crossing 3 centuries.

Cav. G.B. Bertani is founded.

**Brothers Giovan Battista** and Gaetano Bertani establish the winery in Valpantena.



1857

Bertani participates in the main Italian Oenological Exhibitions in Italy of the time: Verona, Milan, Turin.

1870s-1890s

1889

#### Symposium on Secco Bertani.

The Verona Academy of Agriculture awards a gold medal to Bertani as an example of exceptional quality. A symposium is held about the Secco-Bertani winemaking process.



1959

#### Amarone Classico.

1st official vintage of Amarone Classico, made with a natural appassimento.



Si pigia l'uva mediante la pigiatrice a cilindri scannellati. Si pone quindi mosto e vinacce, esclusi però i raspi, in tini, a doppio fondo, aventi cioè un disco di legno bucherellato con intagli laterali, mediante il quale si tengono sommerse le vinacce fino ai tre quarti dell'altezza del tino.

Giunta quasi al termine la fermentazione tumultuosa si svina dal tino, si imbotta, si aggiunge il prodotto della torchiatura delle vinacce, ed al forc della botte si applica il cocchiume idraulico.

Quando la fermentazione nella botte è comple tamente cessata, ed il vino è divenuto limpido, ciol al dicembre, lo si travasa; un secondo travaso s effettua in marzo, ed un terzo nel settembre od ot



#### 1850s

#### Burgundian soul.

Gaetano Bertani travels to Burgundy and learns from his friend and wellknown winemaker Jules Guyot the most modern techniques of viticulture and winemaking.



Bertani is internationally awarded for its premium quality wines and innovation in winemaking techniques.

1923

#### The Royal Family and Bertani.

The Royal Family of Savoia gives Bertani the permission to use its crest.



#### 1937

#### Soave Bertani: a wine fit for a King.

Soave Bertani is served at the lunch for the coronation of George VI.

#### 2012-2013



#### Bertani OVE.

Secco & Soave Bertani Original Vintage Edition are introduced, following the antique recipe.

#### 1870

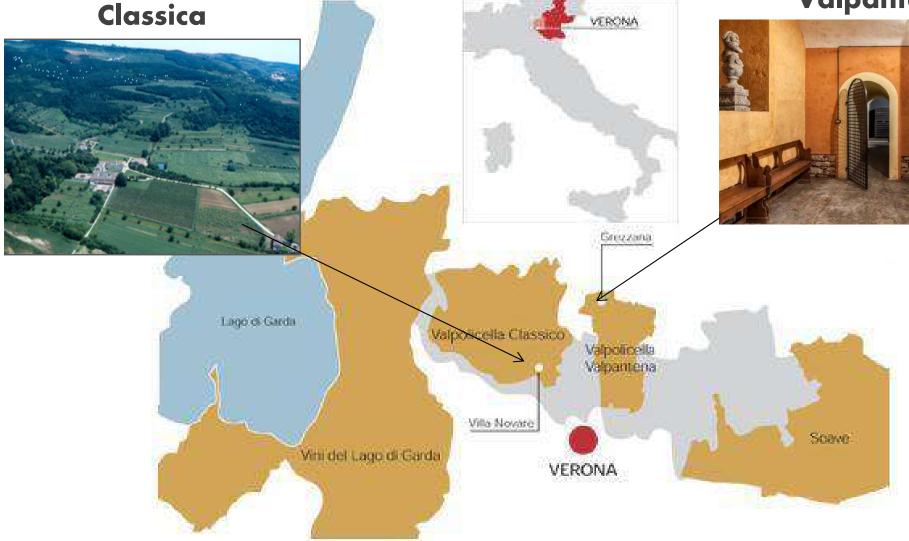
#### Secco-Bertani is introduced.

In Valpolicella the sweet Recioto is the everyday wine. Bertani, inspired by the modern French techniques, introduces a revolutionary wine with a dry style.



Tenuta Novare in Valpolicella

Where we are the historical cellar in Valpolicella
Valpantena



**BERTANI: one Company with two hearts in Verona** 



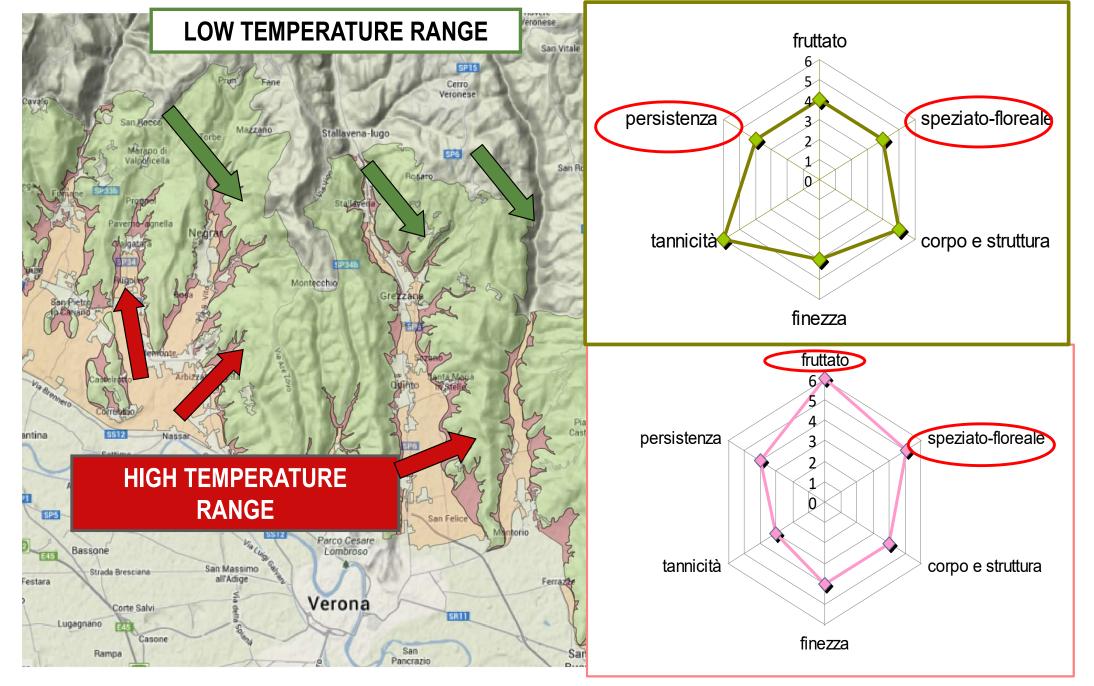


# Lake's Mitigate Effect on summer temperature (average Aug-Sept)

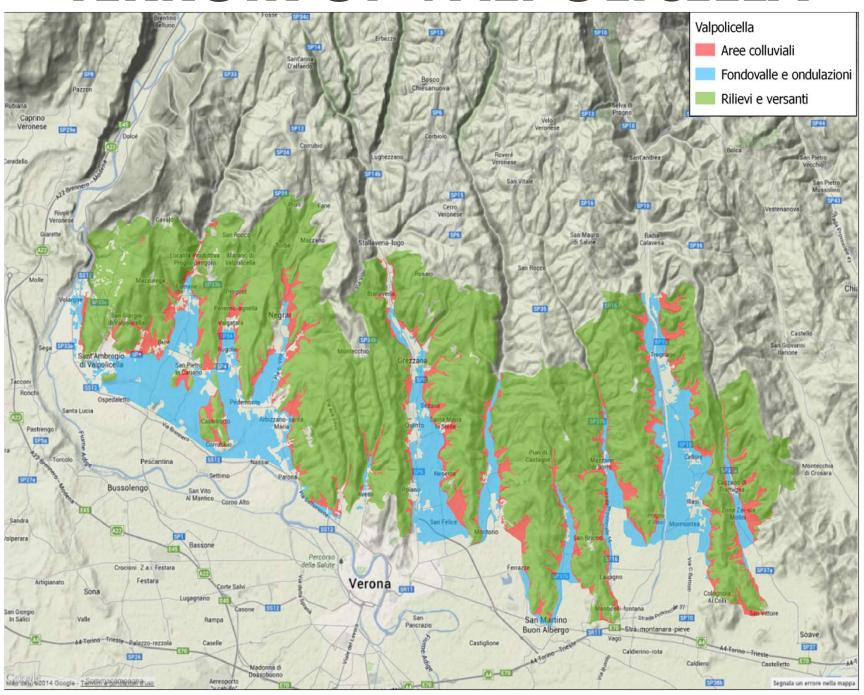


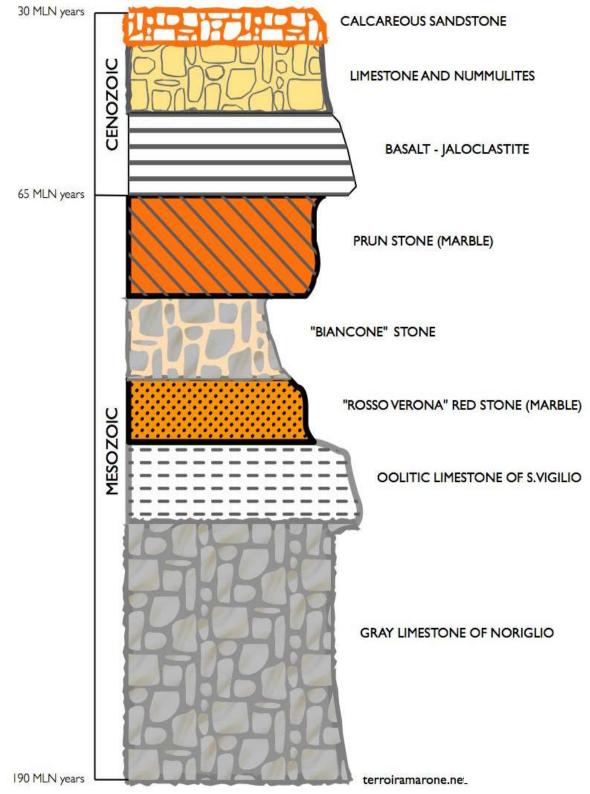


## Climate & Aromas



## TERROIR OF VALPOLICELLA





# Rocks & Soils Stratigraphy of Valualicella











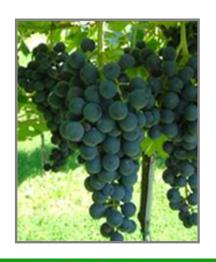
## Main Grape Varietals





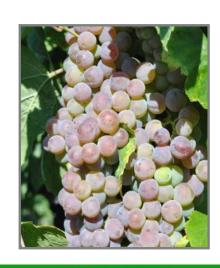


Corvinone:
the spicy feature
It is a variety on its own.
It's a very productive
grape, its berries have
thick skins and are very
resistant to the attacks
of gray mold, so it is
ideal for the grape
drying process. To the
wines of Valpolicella it
offers aromas of sweet
spices.



Rondinella:

the floral feature
This grape is highly valued for its resistance to low temperatures, to the attacks of gray mold and to many diseases. It easily adapts to all types of soils and does not suffer from drought. It gives to the wines floral scents slightly vinous and a dry character.



Molinara:
the drinkability
It gives drinkability to
Valpolicella wines. It's a
strong, vigorous grape.
However, it suffers from
the cold, thus it loves
the hillside, with its dry,
sunny and breezy soil. If
vinified alone, it gives a
wonderful rosé wine,
very citrusy and with
enough alcohol.



# Valpolicella wines. The pyramid of qualities

Recioto della Valpolicella Docg

Amarone della Valpolicella Docg

Ripasso della Valpolicella Doc

Valpolicella Doc

### **Label specifications:**

#### **Classico:**

produced in the historic area of Tenuta Novare

#### Valpantena:

produced in Valpantena

### **Superiore:**

a Valpolicella from selected *grapes* aged minimum 1 year



The uniqueness of TENUTA NOVARE





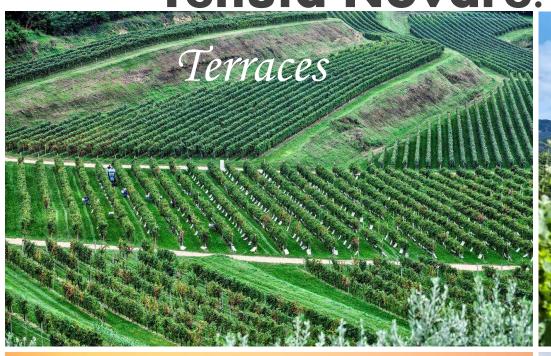
### The secrets of BERTANI

## Amarone's unique style and longevity

- 1. TENUTA NOVARE ... the heart of Valpolicella Classica; an unique place for its soil, climate and landscape
- 2. Private clone of Corvina: CORVINA NOVARE
- 3. SELECTION OF THE ONLY BEST CLUSTERS
- 4. THE NATURAL DRYING PROCESS
- 5. A VERY LONG AGING IN OAK ( minim 6 YEARS to at least 8 Years ).



Tenuta Novare: The Landscape











## Tenuta Novare: Soils & Terroir





## The grape: Corvina - Novare clone





## A long tradition





## The appassimento rules of BERTANI



- Very strict selection in the field of the clusters:
  - ✓ No more than 30% of the production
  - ✓ Only the most «open» clusters
  - ✓ The clusters must be fully intact and healthy
  - Only Natural Appassimento:
    - ✓ No fans use to control humidity and temperature
    - ✓ Natural ventilation

Minimum 100 days of Appassimento

The appassimento is not a commodity for Bertani, but a great value!



## Amarone Bertani: only natural appassimento



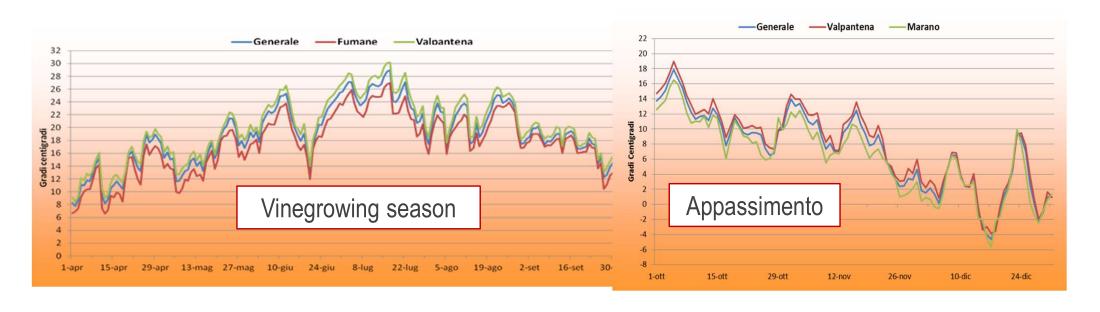
There's a reason why in BERTANI we don't use the expressions "drying process" = "appassimento", but we say "laying the grapes to rest" = "messa a riposo".



## Weather conditions

The quality of Bertani Amarone is not only linked to the weather recorded during the vinegrowing season (April/September).

Bertani Amarone Classico is made only with NATURAL APPASSIMENTO, and for such reason the weather conditions between October and December are essential for its outstanding quality standards.



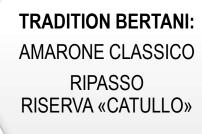








### **PORTFOLIO**



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VALPOLICELLA CRU VALPANTENA:

AMARONE BERTANI RIPASSO BERTANI VALPOLICELLA BERTANI



SECCO Vintage SOAVE Vintage

BERTANI

VALPOLICELLA RIPASSO

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## **DUE UVE RANGE**









VITIVINICOLTORI DAL 1857



# LET'S GO TO TASTE THE BERTANI WORLD!



# BERTANI®

VITIVINICOLTORI DAL 1857

# Vintage Edition











#### SOAVE BERTANI ORIGINAL VINTAGE EDITION

For many years Soave was the cutting edge in world white wine production and as a consequence one of the top-selling Italian wines in the world. Throughout the years, its success has led to an increase in production and it has been reinterpreted according to more commercial parameters. With this wine, Bertani intended to remain faithful to its production philosophy.

With the Soave Vintage we wanted to reproduce the traditional style that enhanced the sensory properties of the Garganega variety, which was partly fermented on the skins, like red wines, thus enhancing the natural aromatic nature of Garganega.

At the time of the Soave Bertani that was served at King George VI's coronation lunch, grape selection went without saying: only grapes from the hills were used, there was no need to dry them and they were the best guarantee for making wines with the necessary characteristics to be considered "fit for a king".

The grapes of the Soave Vintage come from vineyards in the hills with a very sunny, south-facing exposure.

About 40% of the Garganega grapes are picked in the last ten days of September; after crushing, traditional "off-the-skins" fermentation takes place at 14° C.

The rest of the grapes are picked at the end of October, after careful bunch selection; after crushing, fermentation "on the skins" takes place at 20° C, for about 15 days.

At the end the two selections are blended. Ageing takes place in concrete vats covered with glass bricks. This allows a slow, gradual ageing thanks to the constant conditions (temperature and micro-oxygenation) of this "historic" container.





Vintage Edition

# SOAVE BERTANI ORIGINAL VINTAGE EDITION

Soave was one of the first Italian wines to be recognised as "typical and fine", already back in 1931. The Soave BERTANI was the image of this wine in the world. It was served at King George VI's coronation lunch in England, in 1937, and in its honour the poet Trilussa wrote these verses: "When I drink Bertani's Soave, I no longer think of yesterday or tomorrow..."



### Menu

Veloutine Bleu-Ciel
Petits Croulons au beurre

Médaillons de Cangouste Nowègienne

Suprême de Poulet Excelsion Salade Mimosa

> Asperges Violets Sauce Vierge

Mousse Coronation

Choix de Douceurs

Cocheilles de Fauits

Moka

Wins

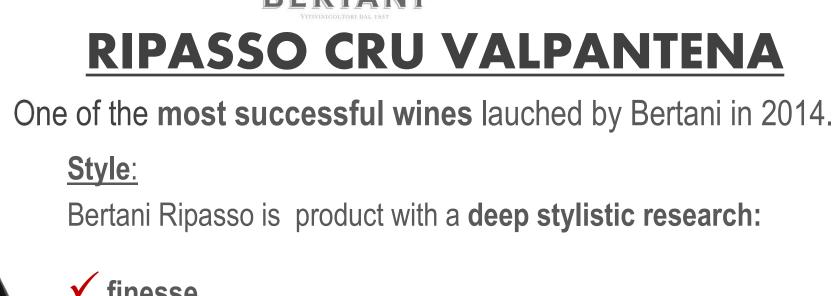
Scape Blanc Bectani

Castello di Brolio

Mactini Secco







- **√** finesse
- ✓ only 6 g residual sugars
- ✓ 13,5 % abv

It's not a simple Ripasso, but a wine that brings together the market trends and the classical style of an important wine, with a great complexity in the nose and easy drinkable.

#### Packaging:

VALPANTENA

Bertani Ripasso's image is proper of a great red wine. It reminds the look of **Bertani Amarone Classico**, a wine that has become an ICON and whose pomaces are used to produce Bertani Ripasso.



### **BERTANI** Ripasso technique

## **AMARONE**











Long drying (4 months) in a temperature and humidity-controlled room to increase concentration of deep and rich fruit flavour

Long maceration and fermentation in concrete vats at constant temperature

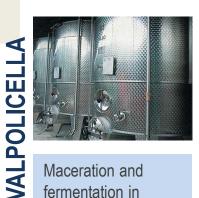
**Drawing the** Amarone wine off the fermentation vats when it is still sweet

6 years aging in 6HI oak barrels to let the Amarone develop a natural and perfect balance

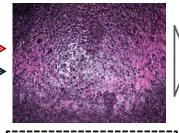
1 year aging in the bottle



Grapes for Amarone and Recioto are harvested by hand a week before those destined for fresh Valpolicella



Maceration and fermentation in stainless steel vats



**Second fermentation** of Valpolicella on the **Amarone pomaces** still rich in sugars and veasts



9 months aging in 750 Lt Veronese-Bertani barrels



**BERTANI RIPASSO** 



VINTAGE EDITION



### SECCO BERTANI ORIGINAL VINTAGE EDITION

From the BERTANI historical archives: "These varieties all produce purplish-coloured black grapes; they are mainly the above-described, corvina comune, corvina rizza or corvinone. As an experiment, varieties of foreign origin were planted, which are: sangiovese grosso, syrah, and cabernet sauvignon..."

#### SECCO BERTANI ORIGINAL VINTAGE EDITION

The Secco Bertani Original Vintage Edition pays homage to a memory that has become a collective myth, evoking sensations, emotions and ways of thinking about the past that can enrich the present.

The history of the Secco-Bertani started with the winery itself, in 1857. At the Chamber of Commerce in Verona there is a copy of a historical document that states that the Bertani Valpolicella Valpantena was already being distributed all over the world in 1888, putting it among the best examples of Italian wines. The Secco-Bertani created the Verona wine style, using the best techniques of the day and the best grapes available.

To remember the historic and winemaking importance of this wine, we have decided to create a "Vintage Edition", which takes the spirit of innovation from tradition. The project foresees the reproduction of a Secco-Bertani wine according to the recipe, style and taste of old.

The old recipe says the wine must be produced with 80% of local grape varieties, coming from vineyards in the hills around the historic site, with the addition of 20% of other varieties, as in 1889.

After long, cold maceration on the skins, there is "a slow fermentation started by native yeasts from the Bertani winery." Then it is racked when still a little sweet, to allow a further, long and slow fermentation in medium-sized barrels, typically used in the Verona tradition.



## Grande Amarone Classico



#### •Selected vineyards in Villa Novare estate in Valpolicella Classica

- Traditional blend of Corvina veronese and Rondinella
- •Long and traditional dry to increase concentration of fruit flavour
- Naturally long and slow fermentation at costant temperature in concrete vats.
- 6 years in big barrels to naturally reach balance and longevity
- Classic Amarone with long potential aging perfect with strong dishes, aged cheeses or after dinner

### Amarone Cru Valpantena



- •Owned vineyards on the hills of Valpantena cru of Valpolicella
- Only Corvina and Rondinella to increase fruit intensity
- Long and traditional dry to increase concentration of fruit flavour
- Fermentation in stainless steel vats at hight controlled temp. to extract fruit and richness
- 2 years in small and medium barrels to preserve fruit intensity
- "Traditional Amarone for today" perfect to be enjoied young or to be matched with modern cuisine, also a good potential aging!



### **BERTANI** Heritage





#### **BERTANI Amarone Classico: a timeless wine**



Bertani Amarone Classico ages for minimum 6 years in 60hl Slavonian oak casks...

...and minimum 12 months in the bottle





### **Amarone Classico Wine-making**



Grapes from
Tenuta Novare's
selected vineyards
in Valpolicella
Classica.
Traditional blend
of Corvina and
Rondinela grapes.



The grapes dry for 4 months on traditional cane mats. Long dry to increase concentration of deep and rich fruit flavour.



Long maceration and fermentation in concrete vats at constant temperature, to create a perfect environment for naturally slow fermentation

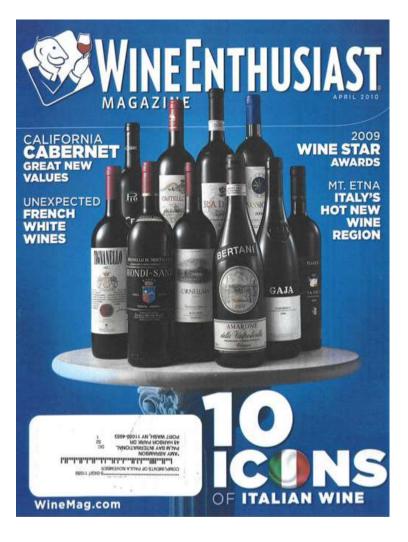


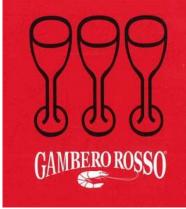
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One year bottle aging before the Amarone Classico is sold



## How people and opinion leaders recognise BERTANI







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# Reliability L'affidabilità



#### **BERTANI Amarone Classico: a timeless**

Since the first vintage Amaron in Chassico is always true to itself.





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