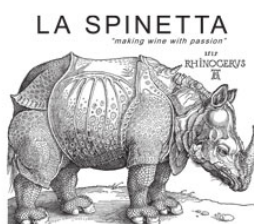




La Spinetta

For collectors and enthusiasts alike, Barolo Campè 2021 offers a thrilling mix of power and precision, uniting old-vine depth, meticulous organic farming and top critic scores in one regal, ageworthy Piedmontese red.



Barolo Campè 2021

Piedmont, Italy

Region and Vineyards

Barolo Campè is rooted in the **Piedmont** hills of north-west Italy, within the **Barolo DOCG**, the historical stronghold of Nebbiolo. The Campè vineyard lies in the commune of **Grinzane Cavour**, in the upper and central part of the Garretti cru, at around **280 m** above sea level with full south-facing exposure. Here, old Nebbiolo vines are planted on alluvial soils with a calcareous clay mantle, a classic Barolo combination that delivers both structure and perfume.

Today the site is farmed organically, with vines around 70 years old and yields drastically reduced by green harvesting, leaving roughly a quarter of the potential crop on the vine. Horse ploughing and the prohibition of synthetic chemicals further emphasise a low-intervention philosophy. The result is extremely concentrated fruit with thick skins, firm tannins and intense flavour, giving Barolo Campè its trademark mix of richness, depth and ageworthy backbone, while still capturing the florality and finesse that define great Nebbiolo from this part of Barolo.

Winemaking

La Spinetta Barolo Campè 2021 is **100% Nebbiolo**, harvested by hand from the single vineyard and vinified with a focus on extracting depth without losing aromatic purity. Maceration and alcoholic fermentation take place in temperature-controlled vats for an average of **15 days**, allowing steady extraction of colour and tannin while preserving the variety's floral and red-fruited character. Malolactic fermentation is then carried out in French oak barrels, a portion of which are new and the remainder second fill, integrating oak components early in the wine's life.

The wine matures for **24 months in French oak**, followed by about 12 months of bottle ageing before release. Official technical data indicate 14.5% alcohol and total acidity around 5.3 g/L, with very low residual sugar, emphasising a dry, firmly structured style. The estate and specialist retailers also note that Campè is bottled without filtration, helping to retain texture and aromatic complexity. Together, long élevage, careful oak handling and old-vine fruit yield a Barolo that is dense, polished and built for long-term ageing.

Alcohol :14,50 %

Composition: 100% Nebbiolo



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Barolo Campe 2021

Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Pale yet vibrant ruby to garnet, deepening toward the core, with lively reflections that hint at concentration despite Nebbiolo's naturally transparent hue.
- **Aroma:** Lifted notes of pomegranate, rose and violet mingle with sweet tobacco, black berries, plum, menthol and liquorice, over nuances of underbrush, truffle, mocha and subtle sweet oak.
- **Palate:** Complex and enveloping, with dark cherry and wild-berry fruit wrapped in black pepper, cocoa, leather and mineral tones. The mouthfeel is full-bodied and powerful, the tannins silky yet firm and tightly knit, driving a broad, persistent finish that promises excellent cellaring potential.

Did you know?

The designation "**Vürsù**" that appears on the label of Campè is a Piedmontese term La Spinetta uses to express longing, passion and the almost insatiable desire to realise a dream. It reflects the ambition that drove Giorgio Rivetti in 2000 to acquire the first hectares in Grinzane Cavour and create his own Barolo. At Campè he banned chemicals, slashed yields by about 75% and returned to horse ploughing, transforming what had been a source of anonymous bulk wine into one of Barolo's most distinctive single vineyards.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Braised beef short ribs with Barolo jus:** The wine's powerful tannins and deep black-cherry, leather and spice profile stand up to slow-cooked, gelatin-rich meat, while its acidity cuts through the sauce's richness.
- **Porcini mushroom and truffle risotto:** Nebbiolo's signature notes of underbrush, earth and dried rose resonate with porcini and truffle, and the wine's structure provides a firm, savoury counterpoint to the risotto's creamy texture.
- **Rack of lamb with rosemary and garlic:** The combination of sweet, succulent lamb, aromatic herbs and a touch of char plays beautifully with Campè's dark fruit, herbal nuances and firm yet refined tannic frame.
- **Aged Parmigiano Reggiano or mature hard cheeses:** The crystalline texture and umami intensity of long-aged cheeses match the wine's concentration and savoury depth, while its acidity refreshes the palate between bites.



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Barolo Campe 2021



Jeb Dunnuck (JD) : 95 Points (2021)

The 2021 Barolo Campe Vursu is a medium matte-red hue and leads with a wonderfully mineral-inflected, saturating nose of crushed stones, dried cherry, pine, spice, and wild herbs. The palate offers full-bodied structure, balanced richness, and ripe tannins that have a more rounded feel through the mid-palate. Campe comes from the vineyard's more exposed, higher section, whereas Garretti comes from the hill's lower slopes. Usually, they buy the fruit of Garretti for its approachability. However, the 2021 wines are somewhat flipped, with Garretti offering more nervous energy, and while the Campe is still structured, with the potential for longevity, it has a more velvety and approachable texture that fleshes out with air and makes it quite appealing. Drink 2026-2046.



James Suckling (JS) : 94 Points (2021)

Violets with roses as well as crushed cherries. The palate is full-bodied, currently with an imposing tannin structure that shows some bright, albeit greenish, defined fruit on the horizon. Needs some time, but should evolve into an exceptional wine. Better after 2030.



Vinous (Antonio Galloni) (VN) : 92 Points (2021)

The 2021 Barolo Campè is a dark, potent wine. Black cherry, menthol, mocha, chocolate, leather, licorice and sweet oak infuse the 2021 with notable depth



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