CANTINA DEL PINO DOLCETTO D'ALBA

100% Dolcetto. Ruby and garnet colors. Splendid perfume with finesse and interesting aromas of blueberry and fresh plum. Loads of plummy fruit and dark cherry flavors with a hint of black pepper and tasty spices. Elegant. Delicious acidity and a soft background of minerality with a full round finish makes this wine a perfect one to pair with food. A wonderful match with tomato based dishes. Good aging potential.

Located in a part of the Piedmont Region called the Langhe where some of Italy's most famous wines are produced. The nearby Alps provide not just majestic views but also a protection from severe weather throughout the year. From old vineyards that cover a total of 2.45 acres with East and West exposure. The soil is calcareous limestone with sandy veins. Fermentation with controlled temperatures for 5 days on the skins. Malolactic completed. Aged 9 months in stainless steel. The winery is a modern facility. The wines are not filtered or fined.

Domizio Cavazza was the director of the Royal Enological School in Alba from 1888-1913. When he arrived in Barbaresco he surprised everyone by purchasing land and making his home there instead of the more famous estates in Barolo. He purchased the Ovello cascina (farmhouse and land) and began making wine. For the first time the wine made from the Nebbiolo vineyards surrounding the village was called Barbaresco. Cavazza celebrated the birth of his first son by planting what became a well-known landmark in the region, a large Mediterranean pine tree. The estate began to be known as the *cascina del pino* or "winery of the pine." Renato Vacca's great grandfather purchased the vineyards after Sig. Cavazza prematurely died. The Vacca family has been there ever since. Their winemaking philosophy is that they want their wines to reflect the *terroir* of Barbaresco with no manipulation.

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Shelf Talker:



