

## **BERSANO** **Barbera d'Asti Doc "Costalunga"**

**variety of grapes**

100% Barbera d'Asti

**production area**

Nizza Monferrato, Vinchio, Vaglio, Agliano

**appellation**

D.O.C.

**alcoholic strength**

12,0% alc. / vol.

**soil**

calcareous, argillaceous

**harvest method**

manual

**average sugar at harvest**

216 gr. / liter

**harvest date**

early October

**fermentation time**

8 - 10 days

**fermentation temperature**

25 / 27° C

**ageing period**

1 year in big slavian oak barrel

**bottling date**

springtime 18 months after harvest, less than 1 gr. / liter

**COMMENTS ON TASTING**

**colour**

deep ruby-red with violet hues

**flavour**

smooth, supple and complex, with lots of ripe cherry

**bouquet**

pleasantly strong with pronounced aroma of grapes

**OTHER INFORMATION**

Barbera d'Asti "Costalunga" d.o.c. is made with Barbera grapes from vineyards around Nizza Monferrato, in the Asti county, which is the classic area for this grape variety. Among the local people of the region, Barbera d'Asti is considered the wine for everything, so it will pair greatly with the typical cuisine. There is nothing like Barbera d'Asti that washes out the meal left-over, "Costalunga", after one year ageing in oak, shows red- ruby colour with violet hues; smooth, supple and complex, with lots of ripe cherry, berry and currant flavours that fold together in a tightly on the elegant finish.

Best with appetizers pastas, pizzas, bbq steak and cheese.

**Serving temperature**

16° C

**SEE REVIEWS ON NEXT PAGE**

**Bersano Costalunga Barbera d'Astil 2015**

**Rated 88, Michael Godel, WineAlign, November 2, 2017**

*"Bersano's, like so many of its peers making barbera in and around Monferrato comes from a terroir of silty marl. It spends one year in (large) botti and is a most most floral and perfumed barbera, notably of violets, even a touch of liquorice or fennel. Fills in with more mid-palate and structure than many at this "posto che si chiama" entry level, with bitters as tonics well integrated into the mix. Drink 2017-2020."*

**Bersano Costalunga Barbera d'asti 2013**

**Rated 91, James Suckling, November 21, 2016**

*"This shows dried raspberries with some white-pepper and cappuccino undertones. The palate is very vibrant with subtle yet present fruit and a fresh finish. Drink now."*

**Bronze Medal & Best Value, Intervin 2016/2017**

**Bersano Costalunga Barbera D'asti 2012**

**Rated 88, Kerin O'Keefe, Wine Enthusiast, November 1, 2015**

*"Bright and easy drinking, this opens with aromas of red berry, tobacco, menthol and spice. The vibrant palate offers wild cherry, crushed raspberry, clove and star anise alongside racy acidity and soft, supple tannins. Drink soon."*

**Bersano Costalunga Barbera D'asti 2012**

**Silver Medal, Intervin 2015, vinesmag.com, 2015/2016**

**Bersano Barbera d'Asti Doc "Costalunga" 2012**

**Rated 88, Bruce Sanderson, Wine Spectator, November 15, 2014**

*"Concentrated and fluid, with cherry, plum, almond and earth flavors. There is a slight graininess to the tannins, but overall this is balanced and long. Drink now through 2018."*