

VIN VINO WINE

2016 BAROLO

"In so many ways, 2016 is all about being in the right place at the right time for Barolo. An ideal growing season with all the prerequisites for a great vintage comes at a time when so many winemakers are in their primes, past the stage of experimentation and settled into their own personal styles. The result is a vintage full of truly spectacular, breathtaking wines that captures all the pedigree that Nebbiolo and Barolo are capable of."

- Antonio Galloni, *Vinous.com*

JANUARY SPECIAL

10% off any 3 bottle purchase, 15% off any 6 bottle purchase through Sunday, January 31.

	Regular Price	15% Off Price
2016 Barolo, Fratelli Alessandria (Verduno)..... \$ <i>"The 2016 Barolo is a fabulous wine in its peer group - in any peer group, actually. Bright, floral and light on its feet, the 2016 impresses with its total sense of finesse and grace. Crushed flowers, sweet red berries, mint, white pepper and anise are all very nicely lifted in a precise, gracious Barolo that hits all the right notes. The 2016 is just flat-out delicious - that's all there is to it. (90-93/100)"</i> - Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>	\$ 52.00	\$ 44.20
2016 Barolo 'Monvigliero,' Fratelli Alessandria..... \$ <i>"The 2016 Barolo Monvigliero is a real powerhouse. Rich and structured on the palate, the 2016 is likely to require a number of years to be at its best. Beams of tannin and bright acids give the 2016 a feeling of energy and vibrancy that is palpable. Bright red cherry, blood orange, mint and white pepper give the 2016 a brilliant top register. I can't wait to taste it from bottle. (94-97/100)"</i> - Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>	\$ 96.00	\$ 81.60
2016 Barolo, Elio Altare (La Morra)..... \$ <i>"Bright and floral, with lovely aromatic top notes that give the wine energy, the 2016 Barolo is a terrific introduction to the Altare Barolos. Lavender, rose petal, mint, spice and new leather are some of the many notes that grace this silky, mid-weight Barolo. (93/100)"</i> - Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>	\$ 82.00	\$ 69.70
2016 Barolo 'Arborina,' Elio Altare..... \$ <i>"The 2016 Barolo Arborina is one of the most perfumed, gracious wines I have ever tasted from Altare. More than that, the tannins that can be a bit aggressive in young Arborina are wonderfully silky, supple and nuanced. Sweet red cherry, kirsch, spice, wild flowers, mint and white pepper all give the Arborina brilliant top notes. Medium in body and impossibly refined, the 2016 is a stunner, but it is a less obvious wine than it has tended to be in the past. 2023-2041 (95/100)"</i> - Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>	\$ 115.00	\$ 97.75
2016 Barolo, Luigi Baudana (Serralunga)..... \$ <i>"The 2016 Barolo del Comune di Serralunga d'Alba is a gorgeous entry-level wine in this range. Sweet floral and savory notes open up first, followed by hints of scorched earth, graphite, iron and blood. Deceptive in its mid-weight structure, the 2016 packs a serious punch of both Serralunga depth and complexity of aromas and flavors. This is very nicely done. 2024-2036 (93/100)"</i> - Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>	\$ 80.00	\$ 68.00
2016 Barolo 'Baudana,' Luigi Baudana..... \$ <i>"The 2016 Barolo Baudana is laced with sweet red cherry, floral overtones and silky tannins, all of which make it one of the more refined, sensual Serralunga Barolos readers will come across. In this tasting, the Baudana impresses with its haunting aromatics and transparent expression of Nebbiolo. Like all of these wines, it needs time in bottle but it is super impressive, even in the early going. 2024-2041 (95/100)"</i> - Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>	\$ 118.00	\$100.30
2016 Barolo 'Mosconi,' (E. Pira) Chiara Boschis..... \$ <i>"The 2016 Barolo Mosconi is a gorgeous wine made all the more remarkable given that Mosconi can't really be said to be a top-level site. Dark and imposing, the 2016 captures all the breadth and tannic clout that are such signatures of this site. This is an especially brooding, virile Barolo, but Chiara and Giorgio Boschis clearly brought out all the best the vineyard had to give. 2024-2041 (96/100)"</i> - Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>	\$ 120.00	\$102.00

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2016 Barolo, Renato Corino (la Morra)	\$ 54.00	\$ 45.90
<i>"The 2016 Barolo del Comune di La Morra is a serious wine that shows just how compelling the vintage is, even among entry-level bottlings. Black cherry, plum, spice, leather and menthol bring out darker shades of Nebbiolo in this rich, textured La Morra Barolo. This is an especially fleshy, rich style, especially among entry-level bottlings. Plush fruit and silky, polished tannins add considerable appeal. 2020-2030 (91/100)"</i>		
- Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo 'Arborina,' Renato Corino	\$ 72.00	\$ 61.20
<i>"The 2016 Barolo Arborina is powerful and tightly wound, with explosive energy that is just waiting to fully emerge. Readers will find an especially rich, potent expression of this Arborina site. Black cherry, violet, lavender and spice add to a real sense of gravitas. The 2016 needs time in bottle to be at its best, but it has terrific freshness and persistence. The significant presence of clay in this portion of Arborina contributes to the wine's size. This is such a gorgeous wine. 2023-2036 (94+/100)"</i>		
- Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo 'Rocche dell'Annunziata,' Renato Corino	\$ 85.00	\$ 72.25
<i>"Rich, heady and exotic in its beauty, Corino's 2016 Barolo Rocche dell'Annunziata is a total stunner. In the glass, the 2016 Rocche is seamless and silky, with striking textural richness and persistence. Super-ripe red cherry, red plum, rose petal, mint and kirsch infuse the 2016 with layers of nuance. All the elements meld together in a rich, sumptuous Barolo that captures the essence of this great La Morra cru. 2021-2036 (96/100)"</i>		
- Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo, Mario Marengo (la Morra)	\$ 46.00	\$ 39.10
<i>"Marco Marengo's 2016 Barolo is forward, succulent and very easy to like. Sweet tobacco, orange peel and exotic spice notes give the straight Barolo lovely aromatic complexity to play off its mid-weight structure. This is such a pretty and expressive entry-level offering. Juicy, open-knit and inviting, but with good tannic grip beneath that gives the wine its sense of energy. 2022-2036 (90/100)"</i>		
- Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo 'Bricco delle Viole,' Mario Marengo	\$ 68.00	\$ 57.80
<i>"The 2016 Barolo Bricco delle Viole is dark, powerful and austere. At the same time, the Bricco delle Viole has more fruit depth and overall intensity than it normally does. This needs time in bottle to fully emerge, but it is quite promising and very pretty, even in the early going. Deep, rich and chocolatey with well-integrated oak, the 2016 is both intriguing and promising. 2022-2036 (92+/100)"</i>		
- Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo 'Brunate,' Mario Marengo	\$ 92.00	\$ 78.20
<i>"The 2016 Barolo Brunate is soft, perfumed and very pretty. Sweet tobacco, cedar, mint, dried flowers and anise all grace this expressive, mid-weight Barolo. Overall, this is a decidedly lightweight, perfumed style of Brunate, a site where the wines tend to be richer, deeper, and more powerful; I would prefer to drink it over the next decade, give or take. 2021-2031 (93/100)"</i>		
- Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo, Luigi Pira (Serralunga)	\$ 50.00	\$ 42.50
<i>"The 2016 Barolo del Comune di Serralunga d'Alba is a gorgeous entry-level offering from Pira that shows the muscle that is so typical of Serralunga. Rose petal, mint, dried cherry, licorice anise and blood orange infuse the 2016 with tremendous aromatic and flavor complexity. Readers looking for an affordable, high-class Barolo will find that here. In a word: superb. The straight Barolo is a blend of lower-lying slopes of Marenca and Margheria, Rivette and Sorano, which makes its debut in this bottling in 2016. 2022-2036 (94/100)"</i>		
- Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo 'Margheria,' Luigi Pira	\$ 65.00	\$ 55.25
<i>"The 2016 Barolo Margheria is powerful and incisive, as it so often is, but with terrific balance that should serve it well in aging. Iron, white pepper, crushed flowers, anise and bright red berry fruit all pulse through this striking, alluring Barolo from Giampaolo Pira. Readers will find a gorgeous, classically austere, young Serralunga Barolo with biting tannins and bright acidity. In other words, a wine that needs time to be at its best. The Pira Margheria can be a bit lean at times, but the 2016 has terrific balance. 2024-2036 (94/100)"</i>		
- Antonio Galloni, <i>Vinous.com</i>		

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2016 Barolo ‘Marenca,’ Luigi Pira.....	\$ 80.00	\$ 68.00
<i>“The 2016 Barolo Marenca is powerful, deep and richly constituted, but also reflects Giampaolo Pira's move towards a style that showcases a good deal of Nebbiolo translucence. Swaths of Marenca tannin wrap around a core of intense red fruit, iron, menthol, anise and dried herbs. As always, Marenca has that extra kick of fruit density and richness that works so well to play off its considerable tannic clout. 2022-2036 (95/100)”</i>		
<i>- Antonio Galloni, Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo ‘Vignarionda,’ Luigi Pira.....	\$ 110.00	\$ 93.50
<i>“The 2016 Barolo Vignarionda is an alluring beauty. Macerated cherry, rose petal, mint, blood orange and pomegranate all run through this exotic, arrestingly beautiful Barolo. The 2016 is dense, wonderfully perfumed and just striking Finesse and power come together beautifully, showing all the pedigree of this site. 2022-2036 (95/100)”</i>		
<i>- Antonio Galloni, Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo, Paolo Scavino.....	\$ 46.00	\$ 39.10
<i>“The 2016 Barolo is supple, forward and easy to like. Sweet macerated cherry, mint, cinnamon and orange peel are nicely pushed forward in this racy, beautifully open-knit Barolo from the Scavino family. Drink it over the next handful of years. The 2016 is just lovely, and a real pleasure to drink. (89/100)”</i>		
<i>- Antonio Galloni, Vinousmedia.com</i>		
2016 Barolo ‘Monvigliero,’ Paolo Scavino.....	\$ 78.00	\$ 66.30
<i>“The 2016 Barolo Monvigliero is one of the classiest and most polished wines in this range. Silky and floral, with terrific depth. the 2016 captures all of the distinctiveness of this site in its mid-weight personality. Sweet red cherry fruit, blood orange, mint and rose petal add aromatic inner sweetness and perfume, with veins of tannin that give the wine shape and energy. The 2016 is just gorgeous. I can't wait to see how it develops in time. (96/100)”</i>		
<i>- Antonio Galloni, Vinousmedia.com</i>		
2016 Barolo ‘Ravera,’ Paolo Scavino.....	\$ 78.00	\$ 66.30
<i>“Scavino’s 2016 Barolo Ravera is another highlight in this range. Tense, brilliant and finely sculpted, the 2016 has so much going on. Crushed flowers, iron, mint and cedar add beguiling aromatic breadth to a core of translucent, intense Nebbiolo fruit. The 2016 really captures the energy that makes wines from this site so distinctive. The 2016 was fermented in stainless steel and aged entirely in cask. (97/100)”</i>		
<i>- Antonio Galloni, Vinousmedia.com</i>		
2016 Barolo ‘Bric del Fiasc,’ Paolo Scavino.....	\$ 102.00	\$ 86.70
<i>“The 2016 Barolo Bric del Fiasc is a powerful, muscular wine. Youthfully austere and tannic, the 2016 is going to need a number of years to come around, but it is magnificent, even in the early going. Layers of building tannins enshroud a core of dark Nebbiolo fruit, with hints of dried herbs, iron, leather and sweet tobacco that develop with a bit of coaxing. As always, Bric del Fiasc has a feral intensity to it. The 2016 is an especially fine edition and also a terrific example of the style of this Castiglione Falletto site. (96/100)”</i>		
<i>- Antonio Galloni, Vinousmedia.com</i>		
2016 Barolo ‘Albe,’ G.D. Vajra.....	\$ 50.00	\$ 42.50
<i>“Vajra's Barolo Albe is bright, floral and wonderfully lifted in 2016. Sweet tobacco, cedar, blood orange, mint, licorice, dried red cherry and sage give the 2016 lovely savory brightness to match its mid-weight structure. Gracious and light on its feet, the Albe has so much to offer. 2021-2031 (91/100)”</i>		
<i>- Antonio Galloni, Vinous.com</i>		
2016 Barolo ‘Ravera,’ G.D. Vajra.....	\$ 112.00	\$ 95.20
<i>“The 2016 Barolo Ravera is tough as nails today, but it has striking inner sweetness and remarkable persistence. Even so, readers will have to exercise a great deal of patience, as the 2016 is not likely to offer much in the way of pleasure for a number of years. Bright red cherry, mint, white pepper, blood orange and dried flowers give the 2016 brilliant top notes to match its finely sculpted feel. Veins of acidy and tannin add razor-sharp precision throughout. I can't wait to taste this in another few years' time. 2024-2041 (96/100)”</i>		
<i>- Antonio Galloni, Vinous.com</i>		