

96 pts

Blind tasted by Stephen Brook  
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# Best Barbaresco

2016

Part of Best Piedmont wines: Latest-release Barolo & Barbaresco

The Cortese brothers are among the finest producers of this great cru, and the 2016, from 50-year-old vines, is outstanding. The nose is rich and vibrant, with raspberry coulis aromas. The high ripeness is immediately discernible but it's not overblown. Rich and velvety on the palate, this is sleek but concentrated, with finely judged density of fruit that never seems excessive. There's depth, weight, and considerable power here, with a long, complex finish.