

# Amarone Recioto della Valpolicella Classico DOC Classico Superiore 1967

#### BACKGROUND

Bertani's impact on Veneto wine making, particularly in Amarone production, is so considerable that 'Bertani' and 'Amarone' are nearly synonymous. Their 150+ year history is dotted with groundbreaking initiatives and royal accreditation. While respectful of their past, Bertani strives towards innovation, using progressive techniques and equipment allied with extensive experience and a deeply felt respect for tradition to provide wines of uncompromising quality. The original name of Bertani's Amarone Classico was Amarone Recioto della Valpolicella DOC Classico Superiore until the 1991 vintage.

## TERROIR & VINTAGE NOTES

The grapes come from the Tenuta Novare vineyards at Arbizzano di Negrar, in the heart of the Valpolicella Classica area. Their 550 acre vineyards are covered with calcareous—marl soils and are devoted exclusively to the production of Amarone. The vines are vertical—trellised and Guyot trained, with a planting density of 2,025 vines per acre. 1967 had a very hot summer, and the season rendered wines with subtleness and classified as "Gentleness."

## WINEMAKING & AGING

After careful bunch selection, the grapes are taken to drying lofts and laid in a single layer on arèle — bamboo racks. They remain here for about 120 days, losing up to 60% of their water content. In mid–January the grapes are destemmed and crushed. Maceration at 40°F for about 20 days, then a slow fermentation starts — about 30 days in concrete vats at a maximum temperature of 64°F. The wine was aged in large Slavonian oak barrels, with an average capacity of 60 hl, for about seven years, followed by bottle maturation for at least 12 months.

## TASTING NOTES

The wine as a meaty, gamey nose which yields to a gentle, mellow palate. A perfumed wine with ample attack on the finish. A mediation wine.



## BERTANI

DAL 1857

#### ORIGIN

Amarone Recioto della Valpolicella Classico DOC Classico Superiore, Veneto, Italy

## GRAPE VARIETIES

80% Corvina Veronese; 20% Rondinella

## SIZES

750ml

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

ABV: 15%, Closure: Cork

## WINEMAKER

Ernesto Barbero

















