

# 2013 ELIO FILIPPINO BAROLO RISERVA

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## ELIO FILIPPINO WINES, NEIVE, PIEDMONT, ITALY



### THE WINE:

100% Nebbiolo from a two acre plot in the legendary Barolo commune of La Morra. With a total production of 3,000 bottles the winemaking and harvesting is all done by hand. The 2013 vintage was widely regarded as one of the best in the last decade. The Spring was more wet than normal which provided groundwater reserves for the hot Summer months. After a typically hot Summer the cooler early Fall allowed alcohol levels to be balanced with firm acids. The resulting wines show classic Barolo tannins, moderate alcohol levels and powerful, masculine style. Aged 24 months in Slovenian oak casks and French barrique followed by an additional 18 months in the bottle prior to release.

### THE ESTATE:

On the right bank of the Tanaro River, 12km from Alba, this family-run estate sits on the steep hilly slopes of the Serra Capelli Hill. The south-west facing vineyards encompass 10 acres and are planted to Nebbiolo, Barbera and Dolcetto. Elio Filippino is the winemaker and his mother Lucia and sister Ivana all contribute greatly to the production of high quality wines. Traditional winemaking methods are used along with biodynamic vineyard practices.

### TASTING NOTES:

**Color:** Brick ruby with hints of amber

**Aromas:** Dried cherry, tobacco, wood resin and hints of roses

**Flavor & Texture:** Firm tannins and forest floor nuances give way to dried red berries and tar

**Food Pairing:** Slow cooked braised beef in a red wine and root vegetable reduction

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