

# 2014 BARBA CESCO BARBERA D'ALBA SUPERIORE

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## ELIO FILIPPINO, NEIVE, PIEDMONT, ITALY



### THE WINE:

100% Barbera from the hills of Serra Capelli and San Cristoforo. Fermented for 8–12 days, then aged in small oak barrels for 18–20 months. Vineyard was planted 60 years ago. The wine's name pays homage to Elio's uncle Francesco to whom this wine is dedicated.

### 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 wife Miriam, 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:** dark ruby with purple flashes

**Aromas:** ripe berries, both red and black, with hints of toasted oak and spice

**Flavor & Texture:** cherry and red berry fruit show hints of cedar and earth; the texture has classic Barbera acidity with soft tannins mellowed by oak aging

**Food Pairing:** risotto with wild mushrooms, fresh herbs and thinly sliced filet mignon

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