04/06/2021

DECANTER July 2021

Decanter

PASSIONATE ABOUT WINE SINCE 1975

PIEDMONT - BAROLO

FORTEMASSO, BAROLO CASTELLETTO DOCG 2016

The Gussalli Beretta family's Piedmontese estate is located in the hamlet of Castelletto, in the eastern part of the Barolo region's most prestigious commune, Monforte d'Alba. Barolos from this area are approachable even when fairly young, age beautifully and radiate an innate complexity.

The wines from this single-vineyard

location have a suave, silky fruit-flowing signature supported by amenably layered tannins. These enviable characteristics are due partly to sandstone soils which stay cool and moist enough to prevent vine stress. Flavour, complexity and aroma intensity develop well because the Nebbiolo vines occupy the lower part of a vertiginous hill which rises to 450 metres, and off which runs notably cold night air. The inner tension this creates adds the



right counterpoint to the rich, ripe fruit. **Drink** now-2027 **Alc** 14.5%

