



*"Aldo and Milena Vajra craft some of the most beautiful, original wines in all of Italy. Frankly, it is impossible to go wrong with any of these superb bottles." (WA)*



# LUIGI BAUDANA PIEDMONT

The Vajra Family, Proprietors

Already renowned winemakers at their eponymous estate with vineyards in Serralunga and Monforte d'Alba, the Vajra family purchased the Luigi Baudana property, rapidly transforming this tired, dusty relic of Piemontese history into a newly thrilling, vibrant estate of great promise.

*"I remain utterly amazed at the total transformation that has occurred under the hands of the Vajra family at what was once the old dilapidated Baudana estate, and the best is yet to come... Luigi Baudana is one of the great recent success stories in Piedmont. Giuseppe Vajra has totally turned around the quality at this once middle of the road estate since purchasing the winery in 2008. All three of the 2007 Baroli are terrific. The integration of oak and overall balance of the wines has never been better. In short, the Vajras have pretty much blown the roof off the potential at Baudana and the wines they have released so far had already been vinified and partly aged when they bought the property." – Robert M. Parker's Wine Advocate*

## Langhe Bianco "DRAGON"

Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Nascetta, and a tiny amount of Riesling.

*Jancis Robinson on the 2012: "It was described as a Chardonnay but - and I hope the great god of Chardonnay will forgive me for writing this - it tasted much more interesting than this. It was so aromatic that I was convinced there was some Riesling in it... lightly oaked. Very perfumed with a Riesling-like spine. Exciting structure. Unfolds on the palate. Very lightly oily. Some evolution."*

## BAROLO "Cerretta"

*Parker's WA on the 2008: **92 POINTS** "A more tense, focused expression of Nebbiolo comes through in the 2008 Barolo Cerretta. Firm yet well-balanced tannins provide the backdrop for expressive dark red fruit, spices and licorice. There is a mid-palate pliancy and generosity in the 2008 that is a bit unusual in this vintage, but at the same time there is also plenty of underlying structure. In 2008, the Cerretta is similar in style to Vajra's Barolo Albe."*

## BAROLO "Baudana"

*Parker's WA on the 2008: **94 POINTS** "The 2008 Barolo Baudana blossoms in the glass with rich, expansive layers of fruit that totally saturate the palate. Stylistically, the Baudana is more polished and refined than the Cerretta. Textured and inviting, the Baudana is a wine that conquers all the intellectual and hedonistic senses. I loved it. This is an especially round, sweet style for Serralunga."*

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