



MENABREA

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A Mr. Welf of Gressoney and his brothers Antonio and Gian Battista Caraccio founded this brewery in 1846 in Biella at the foothills of the Alps when the area, heavy in wool manufacture, was still controlled by the Kingdom of Sardinia. In 1854 the brothers rented the brewery to Jean Joseph Menabrea (italianized in 1861 to Giuseppe) and Antonio Zimmermann, both from Gressoney and partners in the Zimmermann Brewery founded in Aosta in 1837. Menabrea and Zimmermann purchased the brewery in 1864 and the Menabrea family became sole owners in 1872. In this way, predating Unification of Italy (1861), the brewery has since survived two World Wars and, passing from father to son for generations, the brewery is still managed by the Menabrea family today.

Devoted to quality, Menabrea is an Italian micro-brewery, producing in an entire year less than what most large breweries generate in 2 to 3 days. The beer-making process at Menabrea is kept very traditional and all beers age a minimum of 45 days before bottling. Menabrea beers are fermented and aged in Slovenian oak in the family's ancient cellars, most of which are underground. Italy's oldest brewery is world-renowned for beer of the highest quality and tradition, using pure water from the Alps that flows naturally to the brewery. Menabrea is made with the highest quality barley and hops and the family's slow brewing process has significantly contributed to the brewery's international success.

BIRRA BIONDA *Blonde Lager*

This lager is produced with malt, maize, hops, yeast and water through bottom fermentation. Exceptional ingredients, a long maturation and Biella's pure mountain air impart a full and refined flavor.

Pale yellow in color, moderately light-bodied, well-balanced with floral and fruit scents and flavors.

3-time GOLD MEDAL World Beer Championships: "Best Pale Lager in the World"

AMBRATA 150 *Amber Lager*

Also brewed with malt, maize, hops, yeast and water through bottom fermentation.

Yeasts bring a floral fruitiness and a mild bitterness to this outstanding Piemontese lager.

2-time GOLD MEDALIST World Beer Championships in 2002 and 2009

3-time SILVER MEDALIST World Beer Championships in 2001, 2004 and 2007

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