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Le Pianelle 2017 Al Forte

Coste Della Sesia, Piedmont

Red wine from Italy

Drinking window: 2021 - 2027

The 2017 Al Forte is open-knit and ready to go. Sweet dried cherry, tobacco, cedar, dried herbs and mint lend quite a bit of aromatic complexity and nuance throughout. Early signs of aromatic development suggest the 2017 is entering and early peak but these wines have a way of aging effortlessly for many years. Not as fresh as 2018.

Antonio Galloni, March 2022

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Le Pianelle

Le Pianelle is one of the great recent success stories in Alto Piemonte. Dieter Heuskel, formerly the Chairman of the Boston Consulting Group's Germany practice, and Alto Adige producer Peter DiPoli bought the abandoned property in Brusnengo in 2004 and slowly brought it back to life. They then hired the talented Cristiano Garella to make the wines. Le Pianelle's flagship Bramaterra has been terrific since I first started tasting it years ago. The 2016 is one of the finest editions yet. I won't be surprised if it is even more compelling in another few years' time.

Grape/Blend

70% Nebbiolo, 20% Croatina, 10% Vespolina

Release price

\$30.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

280

Release Date

April 2020

Winery/Importer Contact Info

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