



Ramot Naftaly Winery

BARBERA

The Barbera grape comes from the Piemonte region in Italy. Falling in love with this marvelous grape motivated the winemaker, Yitzhak Cohen, to be a pioneer in growing the Barbera in Israel. Taking a chance on this unique grape, took patience and perseverance. The risk has paid off and the wine became one of the most famous and desirable Israeli-made Barberas.

Current Release: 2020

Varietals: *The wine is made of 100% Barbera grapes*

Vineyard: *The Barbera grapes grow in 2 vineyards at separate parts of the Kedesh Valley. The first and more mature vineyard is located close to the winery and the second is located on the western edge of the valley.*

Harvest: *The first Barbera plot was harvested before the hottest days of the summer and the second was harvested at the beginning of these hot days. The grapes were harvested in the early morning in a manual selective harvest. After cooling the clusters, when grapes have reached the right temperature, they are sorted again in order to remove unsuitable clusters, branches and leaves.*

Production Process: *After arriving at the winery, the clusters are transferred to a cooling room to decrease the grapes' temperature. When grapes reach the right temperature, they are sorted on a conveyor belt for another round of inspection, in order to remove unsuitable clusters, leaves or branches. The grapes are destemmed and transferred to a stainless-steel temperature controlled tanks by using a special peristaltic pump. The fermentation takes place in the tanks at 22-28 °C with regular shuffling to derive color, aroma and tannic substances. When fermentation is done, The wine is then pressed, left to clarify naturally and moved to our cellars for ageing.*

Maturation: *The wine ages in a 220 liter French oak barrels. After bottling the wine is aged for an additional 6 months in our cellar.*

Aging Potential: *The wine will improve over the next 4 to 8 years.*

Winemaker's notes: *The wine's color is purple and its scents are flowery and particularly intense. This balanced wine has natural acidity, features an especially fruity flavor and leaves a long flavor finish.*

Technical details: Alcohol: 14.4%
PH: 3.45
Brix: 24