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#### **BELLAURA VINEYARD**



Leased by us starting in 2010 and planted primarily in 2001 with a small portion in 2005, this vineyard measures 1.3 hectares and is separated from a forest by our Ronco vineyard, and consists of a sloping section of land towards the east, with Barbera and Bonarda vines growing though a Guyot planting system.

The altitude is 175-190 meters, the soil is clay and silt-like, not very fertile and mixed with rocks, the most rocks in any of the lands we cultivate. The Barbera vines grow extremely slowly here, and the grapes are very small: therefore the must from these grapes is highly structured, and at the same time, perhaps because of the type of clay soil present here, also highly acidic. The Bonarda vines, on the other hand, except for in a few strips of land, grows rigorously, and the grapes have an intense, aromatic character that in this type of vine reaches its maximum expression through a highly developed growth cycle, as opposed to the Barbera vine.



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