

The singular wines of La Miraja have heretofore been impossible to find in the United States. The estate is nestled within the original castle of Castagnole Monferrato, constructed in the 11th century and retrofitted to serve as a cellar in the 1400s. In this armory-turned-cellar, Eugenio Gatti turns out Barbera d'Asti, Grignolino, and his fabled Ruché. A seventh-generation viticulturist, Eugenio personally tends to the oldest vineyard of Ruché in Castagnole Monferrato, the original birthplace of Ruché. It is here that Eugenio Gatti devotes his life's work to producing 840 transcendent cases of wine each year.

"Le Masche" Barbera d'Asti Superiore DOCG

- The name "Le Masche" is a reference to pre-Christian deities who torment the souls of immoral human beings.
- 100 percent Barbera from estate-grown fruit.
- Wine spends 12 months in oak (15-20 percent new barrique; 15-20 percent neutral barrique; 60-70 percent *botti*)
- High-toned aromatics transition to bright red fruits that form a serious mid-palate.



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