



# GIOVANNI ROSSO



VINTAGE 2022

## LANGHE D.O.C. NEBBIOLO ESTER CANALE ROSSO

### Wine Enthusiast

**97/100**

*Pure seductive cherries float from the glass with an allure impossible to resist. The old vines of Vigna Rionda sing through waves of silken texture and profound depth. Though labeled Langhe Nebbiolo, this wine carries all the nobility and grace of fine Barolo but with an irresistible youthful energy. Tannins float soft as morning light while layers of pleasure unfold with each sip. A wine of such immediate joy, it refuses to wait in the cellar. A testament to eight decades of faithful vines and generations of careful hands. Drink Now until who knows. Jeff Porter*

### James Suckling

**94/100**

*A restrained nose of licorice, wild strawberries, black cherries and meat. Austere yet not dry, with a medium body and firm, dusty tannins, showing moderate acidity and a floral, fruity finish.*

### Kerin O'Keefe

**93/100**

*Camphor, pine forest, red berry and dark culinary spice aromas come to the forefront on the stunning 2022 Langhe Nebbiolo Ester Canale Rosso. Made with vines planted in 2012 in the hallowed Vignarionda site in Serralunga, this is at the level of many Barolos, featuring layers of flavor that include ripe Morello cherry, crushed raspberry, cinnamon and star anise before a minty finish. Fine-grained tannins offer polished support. Due to the hot, extremely dry conditions of the vintage, this is more forward than usual but also shows surprising freshness for the year.*

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**The Wine Journal Eros Teboni**  
**95/100**

**Vinous Antonio Galloni**  
**94/100**

*The 2021 Langhe Nebbiolo Ester Canale Rosso is gorgeous. Dark and pliant, the 2021 has an air of mystery that is palpable. It's a wine with myriad shades of dimension that emerge over time. Black cherry, plum, incense, leather and lavender open with some coaxing. This young-vine Langhe Nebbiolo from Vignarionda is not ready yet to be Barolo, but it is far above most wines in its peer group.*

**FORBES Magazine**  
**95/100**

*Aromas of morel cherry, sundried tomato, red roses, currant and a hint of red spice. Medium-full with excellent concentration. Rich mid-palate, excellent persistence, perfectly integrated wood notes. Outstanding typicity and complexity. Lovely now, but will drink well in 15-18 years, perhaps longer. From the truly outstanding 2021 vintage, this wine has the character, complexity and quality of the finest examples of Barolo.*

**Kerin O'Keefe**  
**95/100**

*Fragrant and loaded with finesse, the 2021 Langhe Nebbiolo Canale Rosso is radiant and intense. It opens with heady aromas of dog rose, wild mint, forest floor and spice while the vibrant palate features wild raspberry, strawberry, star anise and a hint olive brine. Firm, fine-grained tannins provide support while bright acidity keeps it balanced. What a stunner. Made with the estate's youngest vines in Vignarionda and showing its Serralunga pedigree, it needs a few more years to fully unwind and integrate.*

**DECANTER**  
**95/100**

*A Nebbiolo that shines for its concentration, it has a bark-like, fleshy character with dark violet and blood orange complexity. The attack is super-rich, tannins vibrant and grainy then polished on the finish, with lively integrated acidity and a sweet note of smoky woodland. One of the best and, not by chance, one of the most expensive Langhe Nebbiolo bottlings. 'It's a sort of Barolo bottled young,' says winemaker Andrea Delpiano. Bottled in July 2023, it has been on the market since 1 January 2024. It ages for 12 months in 25-hectolitre barrels.*

**GUIDA ESSENZIALE AI VINI D'ITALIA DOCTOR WINE**  
**97/100**

*100% Nebbiolo. Un anno in botti da 25 hl di rovere francese. Rosso chiarissimo. Profumi intensi e floreali, variegati, di grande complessità. Sorprende la nota speziata, di petali di rose, poi tartufo e tabacco dolce. La bocca, fresca ed eterea, stupisce per finezza e consistenza.*

**Falstaff Nebbiolo Trophy**  
**94/100**

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VINTAGE 2020

*Radiant, shining ruby red. The nose is fragrant with dried flower petals, oranges, and candied wild strawberries, exhibiting great finesse and elegance. On the palate, it is remarkably juicy and precise, gracefully stretching across the tongue with creamy fruit, vibrant and salty, leading to a long, very elegant finish.*

**The Wine Journal Eros Teboni**  
**96/100**

**VITAE La Guida vini AIS**  
**4 viti**

*Barolo travestito da Nebbiolo. Fine, preciso, l'eleganza in doppio petto. Tanti fiori ma soprattutto frutta rossa, succosa; poi bocca buona e ricca, ma che non perde beva. Una bottiglia col buco.*

**Vinous Antonio Galloni**  
**93/100**

*The 2020 Langhe Nebbiolo Ester Canale Rosso emerges from Davide Rosso's young vines in Vignarionda. Soft, sensual and beautifully perfumed, the 2020 is a charmer. Succulent, red-toned fruit, blood orange, cinnamon, new leather and kirsch all meld together. This is an effortless, sensual offering. The Langhe Nebbiolo is the hidden gem in this range.*

**James Suckling**  
**92/100**

*This is vivid and red-fruited with sweet blood orange and crushed rose petal character. Medium-bodied, juicy and mouth-filling with velvety tannins and a mild, supple finish. Drink now.*

**Kerin O'Keefe**  
**93/100**

*Wild rose, eucalyptus, crushed berry and tilled earth aromas shape the nose. Structured and youthful, this is also more austere than one expects from Langhe Nebbiolo, featuring ripe red cherry, black raspberry and ground clove framed in firm but refined tannins. An anisette note lingers on the close while fresh acidity keeps it balanced.*

**Jeb Dunnuck**  
**91/100**

*The 2020 Langhe Nebbiolo is medium ruby, with attractive mixed berries, pressed red flowers, and ripe apricot. Medium-bodied but approachable, with ripe red-berried fruit, fine tannins and good finish, this is another very pretty styled wine from Giovanni Rosso.*

**Guida Essenziale ai Vini d'Italia**  
Faccino Doctor Wine  
**96/100**

**The Wine Journal Eros Teboni**  
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VINTAGE 2019

**Wine Spectator**

**92/100**

*A lean red, with enticing raspberry and cherry aromas and flavors fused to a firm structure. Reveals details of white pepper, leather, iron and earth as this plays out on the dusty finish. Best from 2024 through 2033. Bruce Sanderson*

**GUIDA ESSENZIALE AI VINI D'ITALIA DoctorWine**

**96/100**

*100 Nebbiolo. Un anno in botti da 25 hl di rovere francese. Rosso chiaro. Profumi esplosivi di gelatine di fragola, eucalipto, aghi di pino, rosa canina. La bocca ha tensione da vendere, gratificante per tannini di finezza inusuale. Persistenza lunghissima.*

**The Wine Front, Gary Walsh**

**95/100**

*Lovely perfume, all honey, hazelnut, violet and floral things, red fruit, and maybe a little menthol. Medium-bodied, sweet nutty and honeyed red fruit, ultra-fine powdery dusty tannin, kind of delicate, but ripe and effusive in personality and charm, with a breezy nut and honey finish of excellent length. Wonderful. A light touch here, and comes over as graceful, but tactile, if that makes any sense.*

**Eros Teboni, The Wine Journal**

**100/100**

**VITAE La Guida Vini AIS**

**3,5 VITI**

VINTAGE 2018

**Wine Enthusiast**

**96/100**

*Made with vines planted in 2012 in the celebrated Vigna Rionda cru in Serralunga d'Alba, these gorgeous, fragrant red boasts enticing scents of red forest berries, camphor, rose and potpourri. All about finesse, the vibrant, elegantly structured palate delivers juicy raspberry, red cherry, licorice and iron. It's impeccably balanced by taut, refined tannins and bright acidity. Drink through 2028. Kerin O'Keefe*

**Wine Advocate**

**92/100**

*The Ester Canale Rosso 2018 Langhe Nebbiolo, with the pretty yellow wax seal, reveals a lean and shiny appearance as it pours from the bottle. The wine is redolent of wild cherries, cassis, blue flower and a sweet touch of candied citrus that makes for an elegant touch. The wine settles gently and elegantly onto the palate. Monica Lerner*

**Decanter**

**94/100**

*The grapes for this Langhe Nebbiolo come exclusively from Vigna Rionda - one of the greatest crus of Serralunga. The estate planted new vineyards in 2013 and the young vines are used mostly to produce this wine. It's one of the best examples this year, intensely perfumed with an outstanding definition of rose*

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VINTAGE 2017

*petal, earthy strawberry and pomegranate. Full bodied, it is dominated by initially firm then refreshing acidity, with velvety tannins, a slightly chalky finish and amazing savoriness. Drinking Window 2021 – 2035. Aldo Fiordelli*

#### **Gourmet Traveller Wine**

**93/100**

*Very attractive rose and dried cherry as well as baking spices and fresh leather. The palate holds a quite fleshy core of sweet cherry and blueberry fruit flavour in a central and mouth-filling mode. Acidity flickers and gently elevates smooth tannins. Darker cherry and cocoa powder flavours to close. Very approachable now. Drink over the next decade. Nick Stock*

#### **Guida Essenziale ai Vini d'Italia Doctor Wine**

**94/100**

*Da uve Nebbiolo. Un anno in botti da 25 hl di rovere francese. Granato chiaro, limpido e luminoso. Naso complesso e di ottima intensità con gelatina di frutti di bosco, ribes, lamponi e fragole in confettura. Affascinante la balsamicità che pervade il bicchiere di continuo. In bocca ha grande tensione acida, finissimo nell'incedere e con lunghezza superba. Daniele Cernilli*

#### **Tom Cannavan's Wine Pages**

**94/100**

*From younger vines (planted in 2011) in the same Vigna Rionda vineyard that supplies the top Vigna Rionda Barolo, this is aged in large barrels of oak from the Fontainebleau Forest for 12 months. Fine, pale color, and a lovely delicate strawberry and raspberry note to the herbs and forest floor spices on the nose. Some floral top notes just developing. In the mouth it is structured, cool and correct: fairly tightly wound at this youthful stage, the surge of acidity through the mid-palate to join the fruit, and the taut, very fine tannins, giving lots of tension and linear focus. The spices, the hints of game and truffle, are just starting to develop, but it remains cool and elegantly concentrated and intense into the finish. Needs time. Tom Cannavan*

#### **James Suckling**

**93/100**

*A lovely, juicy red with cherry, strawberry and orange peel. Medium to full body, tight and round tannins and a flavorful finish. Plenty of delicious fruit here. Really fine. Drink or hold.*

#### **Falstaff Magazine**

**94/100**

#### **Falstaff Nebbiolo Trophy 2002**

**1° place**

*Sparkling, lightening garnet red. Expressive nose with notes of raspberry, pomegranate and sour cherry, some saffron. Very good tension on the palate, juicy, fresh acidity, crunchy fruit, then opens with robust, dense tannins. Othmar Kiem, Simon Staffler.*

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VINTAGE 2016

*Da uve Nebbiolo. Un anno in botti grandi. Granato luminoso. Avvolgente ed etereo, complesso e sfaccettato al naso, con note di rosa canina, pietra focaia, cassis, melograno, arancia rossa e cranberry, qualche accenno più speziato in sottofondo. Sapore deciso ma composto, con un perfetto rapporto fra salinità e lieve astringenza tannica, corpo di ottimo peso e persistenza lunghissima. Un fuoriclasse nella sua categoria.*

**I Vini di Veronelli**

**91/100**

**Wine Spectator**

**90/100**

*Though rich and creamy in texture, this red remains elegant, featuring cherry, raspberry, floral, flint and tobacco flavors. Firm and harmonious, with fine length. Drink now through 2024. 1,000 cases made, 400 cases imported. –BS*

**Wine Advocate**

**90/100**

*The Ester Canale Rosso 2016 Langhe Nebbiolo pours from the bottle with a light garnet or ruby color. The bouquet is beautifully elegant and light, with a big dose of licorice root that is impossible not to notice. There is dried cherry and cassis, and the wine presents a lean and fresh approach to the palate. This Langhe Nebbiolo is built to go the extra mile, and its late release demonstrates.*  
*Monica Lerner*

VINTAGE 2016

**Wine Spectator**

**91/100**

*Boasting macerated cherry, strawberry and leather flavors, this red is supple, yet offers a solid underpinning of tannins. Bright and balanced, with a juicy finish. Best from 2021 through 2035. Bruce Sanderson*

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