

**F.lli Cigliuti 2012 Barbaresco Serraboella****Neive, Piedmont****Red wine from Italy****Drinking window: 2018 - 2032**

The 2012 Barbaresco Serraboella is deep, fleshy and pliant, with lovely concentration and plenty of nuance, all in the mid-weight style of the year. Dark cherry, plum, smoke, mint and dark spices all meld into the supple finish. Readers will need to be patient, though, as the 2012s need time to fully come together. The 2012 was aged 70% in cask and 30% in tonneau. This is everything one could want from a Barbaresco from this part of the zone.

**Antonio Galloni. Tasting date: August 2015**

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Cigliuti's 2012 Barbarescos are among the most successful wines of the vintage. For reasons I don't fully understand, this small, family-run estate in the Bricco di Neive district just outside of Neive proper remains very much under the radar. In the 1970s, Renato Cigliuti crafted striking, traditional Barbarescos. His 1978, which I last tasted a few years ago, was drop-dead gorgeous and still full of life. But like many small, artisan growers in the 1980s, Cigliuti couldn't sell his wines, so he gradually adopted more modern techniques in order to please the market. Cigliuti was, above all else, a man who has dedicated his life to the vineyards, which is where readers visiting the estate will find him today. Daughters Claudia and Silvia Cigliuti make the Barbarescos in a more classically-leaning style than was the case in the 1990s. The Barbarescos are once again fabulous, and, perhaps more importantly, distinctive. If there is an estate in Barbaresco that deserves more attention, it is without question Cigliuti. At the same time, I feel the full potential of the estate has yet to be unleashed. The 2012s were bottled in the weeks leading up to my recent visit, yet they were super-impressive.

**Grape/Blend**

Nebbiolo

**Release price**

\$55.00

**Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)**

55

**Release Date**

September 2015