

## 2014 Barbaresco

Gaja Piedmont, Piedmont, Italy

### Product details

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<b>Vintage:</b>	2014	<b>Drinking:</b>	2023 2030
<b>Producer:</b>	Gaja Piedmont	<b>Alcohol:</b>	
<b>Region:</b>	Piedmont	<b>Variety:</b>	
<b>Country:</b>	Italy		

### Tasting notes

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Elegant and perfumed with lovely vibrant fruit, the 2014 has an energetic bouquet with crunchy cherry fruits. On the palate refreshing red berry flavours balance darker and sweeter herb characters which emerge from the glass while fine tannins provide length and definition. A classically structured wine with succulent flavours, it will be delicious from release but will also age well.

Drink from 2018 - 2028.

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### Reviews

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Gaia Gaja tells me 2014 was one of the best vintages ever in Barbaresco, if not the best for her vineyards. She cites the prolonged growing season that continued at a slow rate during the cooler summer months only to speed up thanks to a heat spell at the very end, right before harvest. Nebbiolo loves slow maturity and a prolonged growth cycle: The 2014 vintage did indeed get off to an exceptionally slow start. The 2014 Barbaresco is not austere or astringent. Instead, it offers plump ripeness with rich fruit flavors backed by spice, licorice and tobacco. The wine offers good structure from the point of view of its tannins, yet there is no harshness or bitterness whatsoever. Drink 2018 - 2030.

**94 Points, Monica Lerner, Wine Advocate**

A lush style, boasting black cherry, plum, licorice, tar and spice flavors. Firmly structured and needs air to open, ending on a long, complex and balanced finish.

Best from 2022 through 2035.

**93 Points, Wine Spectator**

The Gaja family, like many in Barbaresco, are thrilled with what they have been able to craft in 2014, the principal reason being that Barbaresco had near-normal levels of rainfall (750mm) whereas Barolo took 1,200mm on the chin. The late season, September to November, was outstanding. This wine is a little more aromatically dry in style than the 2013, with bright red-fruit flavours of cranberry, pomegranate and red dessert apple. It's harmonious, balanced and long.

**91 Points, Andrew Jefford, Decanter**

### About the producer

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