

COSTA RUSSI

(Kos-tah ROO-see)

The word *Costa* indicates the side of a hill, while *Russi* was the nickname of the old sharecropper who worked in the vineyard.



Winery	GAJA, Barbaresco, Piedmont
Denomination	Barbaresco D.O.P.
Varieties	Nebbiolo
Vineyards	<p>The Costa Russi vineyard is situated in the municipality of Barbaresco, at the foot of a hill where, a little above, there is Sorì Tildìn.</p> <p>The land, facing south-west, consists of clayey-calcareous marls and covers a surface of 4.35 hectares, with average altitude of 230 m above the sea level. The vines are 65 years old on average.</p>
Winemaking method	Fermentation and maceration for around three weeks followed by ageing in oak for 24 months.
Characteristics	Costa Russi has a particularly fascinating and intriguing bouquet. Elegant and smooth from its early age, it is a full-bodied wine, with a great tannin structure and length. High ageing potential.
First vintage produced	1978