

Bertani

Wine Region: Veneto, Italy Date Established: 1857 Winemaker: Cristian Ridolfi

Bertani was founded in 1857 by brothers Gaetano and Giovan Battista Bertani. Prosperous wine merchants who believed that quality winemaking held the key to the future, the Bertanis invested their funds in buying some of the finest vineyards in the province and making their own wines. Recognition and success followed swiftly as Bertani became one of the first Veronese producers to export its wines on a significant scale.

In the early years, Bertani spearheaded a campaign to underscore the potential of Verona's Valpolicella Valpantena wine district. The release of its Secco-Bertani Valpantena wines, still in production over 150 years later, is responsible for putting this DOC on the map. The late 1950s saw Bertani take center stage again, with the launch of a new-style Recioto della Valpolicella. Through the introduction of longer aging techniques, this traditionally sweet or sparkling red wine was dramatically transformed into the dry, opulent red we know today as Amarone, one of Italy's most revered red wines.

Operations are now largely coordinated by a hand-picked team of experts and consultants, led by winemaker Cristian Ridolfi and Bertani Domains Chief Winemaker Andrea Lonardi. To maintain its extensive vineyards, Bertani engages the skills of some of Italy's most eminent viticulturalists. From its vineyards to its cellars, Bertani offers a fascinating and memorable introduction to Veronese winemaking at its best, where the progressive techniques and equipment are allied with extensive experience and a deeply felt respect for tradition.



- Quintessential bearer of traditional Amarone
- Historic 150-year-old winery
- Blend of traditional Veneto varieties with modern, international and IGT designated wine styles
- Very strong brand identity for authentic, traditionally styled wines
- "Classic" Amarone library vintages available



- **AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO A** standard-bearer for its category; Gambero Rosso Tre Bicchieri winner five years running.
- **BERTAROSE ROSÉ** 50% Molinara, 50% Merlot from the hills above Lake Garda.
- **DUÈ UVÈ BIANCO** 50% Pinot Grigio, 50% Sauvignon Blanc. Due Uve means "Two Grapes."
- **RECIOTO A** magnificent still red dessert wine from Bertani estate vineyards.
- **SECCO-BERTANI** In continuous production for over 150 years. *Made with appassimento technique.*
- **SECCO-BERTANI ORIGINAL VINTAGE EDITION** 80% Original Corvino clones, 20 % Cabernet, Saniovese and Syrah. "Vintage Edition" is a tribute to the past as a way of enriching the present. **91 Points** – *Wine Spectator*, February 2015.
- **SEREOLE SOAVE** A single-vineyard premium soave from volcanic soil.
- **VELANTE PINOT GRIGIO** 100% Pinot Grigio from Bertani's estate vineyards in the Soave district.
- **VILLA ARVEDI AMARONE VALPANTENA** A contemporary-style Amarone. Aged three years. **92 Points** – *Wine Enthusiast*, February 1, 2015.
- **VALPOLICELLA** A fresh wine with notes of plum raspberry, cherry and spices.
- **VALPOLICELLA RIPASSO** Aged 18 months in large casks and French barriques, after a second "Ripasso" fermentation.

