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'Dear Dad, it is with great honor that I accept the job of carrying on the business that you created with a lifetime of hard work! But, I beg you to accept my wishes: with the greatest respect for everything you have done and passed on to me, I want to go ahead and only make wine. With your support and Giuliana's help, I want to show everyone that I can make great wines that people will appreciate, because the land where we live has something precious that we still do not fully understand...'

And with that letter in 1976, Domenico Clerico began to not just grow grapes but produce Barolo from Monforte d'Alba. Today, he's one of the most respected producers in the world, his wines are now a benchmark for Barolo. Never afraid to push or explore new ideas, Domenico started out with next to nothing and a desire to understand the unknown.

Domenico left us a great gift, a philosophy that spans time, between the tradition of a land that offers great emotions and innovation, the desire to continually improve.

2021 dolcetto '*visadi*' | *monforte d'alba and monchiero* \$13|\$47



Visadì is the wine from which Domenico began to build his dream, starting from 3 hectares of Dolcetto, seeking excellence from the most drunk grape variety in every Langa family. First vintage produced in 1978

Maceration on the skins with delicate extraction, to maximize the aroma and drinkability typical of this vine Refinement in steel

2022 nebbiolo *'capisme-e'* | *monforte d'alba* \$19|\$68



Imagine getting kicked in the face by a ballerina. Nebbiolo has this exact same kind of elegant brutality. One the one hand, it's elegant with its delicate aromas of roses, raspberry coulis, and anise waft into your nose. On the other hand, it's brutal. When tasted, Nebbiolo has so much astringency and mouth-drying tannins that your eyes start watering.

Capisme-e is a philosophy, an introductory key to the world of Nebbiolo, in the Piedmontese dialect: 'Capisme-e' which loosely translates to 'understand me'. Nebbiolo laid bare in its purity, one version with a strong personality typical of Monforte d'Alba. First vintage produced in 2009.

Maceration on the skins with delicate extraction and maximum attention to preserving the fruity aromas. Refinement in steel and amphora.

2019 nebbiolo | *barolo DOCG, monforte d'alba* \$38|\$137



The Barolo DOCG is a blend of the best cru only from Monforte d'Alba, which is the essence of Clerico's territory, to which they feel they owe so much. It is the result of their daily work, of their efforts and commitment, and of continuous research. First vintage produced in 2000.

The soils are mostly silt, with an equal blend of sand and clay, with a high supply of active limestone.

Barolo is the identity card of Clerico: a wine that comes from the earth, in constant evolution, with the ambition of wanting to be the purest representation of the character of Monforte d'Alba.