



FERRANDO

Piemonte, Italy

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Luigi Ferrando is one of Italy's best winemakers, and his Carema offers true expressions of extreme mountain viticulture. They are some of Italy's greatest and longest lived wines. Ferrando Vini was founded in 1890 by Giuseppe Ferrando, who moved to Ivrea from Acqui to introduce the wines of Piedmont into the neighbouring region of Valle d'Aosta. After him, his son, Luigi, expanded and developed the winemaking business.

In 1957, Giuseppe Ferrando Jr., the founder's grandson, began producing one of the rarest wines obtained from the Nebbiolo variety, Carema, which is named after a small town in northern Piedmont on the border with Valle d'Aosta. The wine is very much a 'mountain Barolo', blessed with assertive but silky tannins. It has extremely pure aromas and flavours of red roses, red cherry, and raspberry fruit. Ferrando have produced an excellent, entry-level version called 'Etichetta Bianca' (White Label), and a top-of-the-line version named 'Etichetta Nera' (Black Label).

In 1964, the Ferrando family built the cellar (a DOC since 1967) in Carema. Ever since, they have been considered the patriarchs of this once very famous wine that is only recently returning to the limelight it deserves.

Besides Carema, Ferrando's flagship wine, production includes Erbaluce di Caluso wine made from the indigenous white grape Erbaluce, which is vinified in still, sparkling, and sweet versions. Ferrando is amongst the few producers, who make both a lighter, more refined, late harvest version as well as a richer, thicker, sweeter air-dried wine. Erbaluce is a true star of Italian native grapes, though it is little known outside of its immediate production zone. Both the still and sparkling wines are characterized by very bright, high acids, and delicate white flower and citrus aromas and flavours.

"The 2018 Erbaluce di Caluso Cariola is a wine of real distinction and character. Crushed rocks, slate, lemon confit, ginger, dried herbs and strong mineral notes are wonderfully alive in the glass. I don't think I have ever tasted an Erbaluce with this much power and structure, aside from some of the other wines in this range, naturally." **92 points, Antonio Galloni, Vinous (March 2022)**

"The 2016 Carema Etichetta Bianca is such a delight. What a wine. The 2016 has it all - aromatic presence, sculpted fruit and fabulous persistence. There is a bit of development in the flavors and yet the 2016 remains wonderfully fresh. Crushed raspberry, mint, white pepper, crushed rocks and dried herbs build into the taut, saline finish." **94 points, Vinous, Antonio Galloni (March 2022)**

Code	Label name	Vintage	Alcohol	Closure type	Case size
White Wine					
FE0121	Erbaluce di Caluso 'Etichetta Verde'	2021	11.5%	Cork	12X0.75lt
Red Wine					
FE0318	Carema Etichetta Bianca	2018	13.5%	Cork	6X0.75lt
FE0418	Carema Etichetta Nera	2018	14.0%	Cork	6X0.75lt