

GABBAS 'LILLOVE' CANNONAU DI SARDEGNA DOC 2020

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With an annual production of only 70,000 bottles from roughly 30 hectares of vineyard, retired lawyer Giuseppe Gabbas is a small Sardinian producer. He is a simple, but deeply caring winemaker, showing great Sardinian wine tradition. His winery is in a valley at the very heart of Sardinia, in a fantastic terroir, which produces high quality wines — among the best and most authentic Cannonau in the world. Italian wine guide, Gambero Rosso, calls him "un grande viticoltore". In particular the refinement and drinkability are often mentioned.

Vineyards: Barbagia mountain area, benefits from the coolness of the sea breezes and the downwind winds in the mountains. Partly because of this, the grapes ripen for a long time and evenly, so that the tannins in the skin ripen perfectly and taste smooth. The vines are in soils of granite origin capable of maintaining freshness even in the hottest summers in this dry and ventilated land.

Winemaking: The addition of small quantities (10%) of native grapes to Cannonau gives further character to this wine which ages in steel.

Tasting Notes: In the glass it has a deep ruby red color. The elegant nose reveals a combination of fruity scents, with an accent on cherries, plums, fresh raspberries and hints of violet and white pepper. On the palate it is broad, soft, round, with good acidity and great structure. Fragrant but well integrated tannins. Good persistence.

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