

PIEDMONT CLUB

Without question, our Piedmont Club is the most distinct and defining option for customers. We are, after all, one of the first wineries in the USA to focus heavily on Piedmont varietals, and often refer to ourselves as a "Barbera House". Over the years, we have expanded our product lineup to include a wide variety of wines, but our Barbera and Nebbiolo remain as the headliners. Let's review...

"Piedmont" refers to a region in NW Italy, where Nebbiolo is King, responsible for the word famous *Barolo* and *Barbaresco* wines. Barbera and, to a lesser extent, Dolcetto are also a big part of the red wine production there. Both Barbera and Nebbiolo are incredibly unique varietals and hard to confuse with other red varietals. They provide a winemaker with vibrant flavor profiles and excellent acidity.

The Barbera offers gorgeous, inky pigments, and the natural tannins in Nebbiolo allows for a long-lived wine after bottling. Although these two varietals are more often made into single-varietal wines, they can be blended with other grapes - or in the case of our new *Piacere*, one of the wines included in this club allotment - with each other for an adventurous and delicious wine. This wine was, in fact, inspired by one of our favorite Piedmont wineries!

In addition to this new Piedmont blend, we have included our latest vintages of Estate Barbera, Blood Red Barbera, and Columbia Valley Nebbiolo. Each of these new release wines is drinking very well right now, and will continue to soften and mature over the next several years. Our advise? Take a bottle or two of each of these and hide them away for a future treat!



This year, we will also be releasing some other Piedmont wines like our new Dolcetto and our other Piedmont red blend, *Allora*. We also have the white Piedmont varietal, Arneis, planted on our vineyard now and it will make its appearance in this club soon. Of course, our rosé is almost always made from mainly Barbera.

The demand for these wines has steadily grown, so much so that we often sell out of these early in the year. We have done our best, therefore, to increase production on the Barbera, Nebbiolo, and blends of these two. Still, there is only so much we can produce in a given year and keep our quality control in line with high standards. As a Piedmont Club member, you are guaranteed first crack at both the new release and Reserve bottlings of these wines.

Thank you all for your enthusiasm and passion for these wines! We hope you enjoy them now and for many years to come...

With good cheer,
~All of us Cascade Cliffs Vineyard & Winery