

CHÂTEAU VARTELY · MOLDOVA

Individo Merlot Cabernet Sauvignon, 2021

Valul lui Traian, Comrat

COLOUR	GRAPES	ALCOHOL	VINTAGE · VOLUME
Red	Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon	14.5%	2021 · 750 ml

STILL, FULL-BODIED

Tasting notes

The wine offers flavors of ripe sour cherries, blackcurrants, and red plums, along with a hint of vanilla from oak aging. Additionally, there are subtle layers of licorice, adding complexity and interest to the wine.

About the wine

Hand-picked Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon from Château Vartely's southern vineyards are fermented for seven days at about 28°C with pumping over eight hours a day, followed by fully natural malolactic fermentation, and no oak. The vines grow on chernozem, the black, humus-rich soil typical of the Moldovan steppe.

Winemaking

MATURATION

100% of wine 12 months in new French and Romanian oak barriques, medium toasted. This process imparts subtle notes of vanilla and adds layers of complexity to the wine.

Cellar and service

SERVE AT

18-20 °C

AGEING POTENTIAL

5-8 years

FOOD PAIRING

Aged Camembert, grilled poultry, rabbit stew. Ideal for pairing with red meat like beef and lamb, Italian dishes such as spaghetti bolognese or lasagna, and herb-infused dishes like braised lamb with rosemary are ideal choices. Additionally, mildly spiced Asian dishes that are not too hot or sour also complement this wine beautifully.

Say it: Château Vartely: shah-TOH var-TEH-lee; Cabernet Sauvignon: kah-ber-NAY so-vee-NYON;
Merlot: mer-LOH

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