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## Cesari Valpolicella Ripasso Superiore



Varietal: 50% Corvina 20% Rondinella 30% Corvinone

Alcohol %: 14 Acidity: 5.5 g/l

**Sugar Residual:** 4 g/l **Dry Extract:** 30.6 g/l



**Barrel Aging:** 2 months in French oak, followed by 10 months in Slavonian oak. Bottled and cellared for 6 months.

**Tasting Notes:** Although Ripasso is not quite as powerful as Amarone, it possesses many of the same qualities. Referred to by many as a "baby Amarone," it is suitable for more frequent consumption. Full-boded with ripe fruit aromas and flavors. It is smooth and elegant with a persistent, warm, finish.

**Winemaking:** Fruit is immediately soft-pressed and underwent initial fermentation in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks. In January, after the Amarone was produced, the fresh wine was "re-passed" over the pomace to initiate a second fermentation that lasts for 15-18 days.

**Food Pairing:** Fully-flavored risottos made with sausage, mushrooms,

Accolades

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