

# Santa Sofia

## 2017 | Amarone della Valpolicella Classico | DOCG



Since 1811, Santa Sofia winery has been crafting stunning wines at the historic Palladian Villa, Sarego, a UNESCO world heritage site. Under the stewardship of winemaker Giancarlo Begnoni and his son Luciano, the forces of tradition and innovation combine, making Santa Sofia one of the most iconic names in Venetian winemaking. The 2017 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico is vibrant, refined, and pairs an incredible amount of finesse to classic

Amarone power, making for a gorgeous expression that is complex, concentrated, and supremely elegant. 96 points, Decanter; 94 points, Luca Maroni.

## **Region & Classification**

|country| Italy
|region| Veneto
|sub-region| Valpolicella Classico
|classification| DOCG

#### **Terroir & Cultivation**

|soil| Gravelly loam

|exposure| Primarily south

|elevation| 195-325m

| **farming practices**| Organic farming practices

|harvesting| Hand-picked, mid-September

|age of vines| 30 years

|yield| 15 hl/ha



### **Wine Data**

|varietals| Corvina, Corvinone, Rondinella |alcohol| 15% |pH| 3.45 |acidity| 6.1 g/L |residual sugar| 3.6 g/L

## **Vinification & Aging**

|drying| 100 days

|maceration| 20 days in stainless steel tanks

|**fermentation**| Destemmed and pressed. Fermented in 50hl Slavonian oak barrels at 16-24°C followed by malolactic fermentation

|aging| Aged 36 months in large Slavonian Oak barrels of 15-50 hectoliters. Additional 6 months of bottle aging.

|production| 70,000 bottles



