



## AZIENDA AGRICOLA TIZIANO MAZZONI

### Ghemme 'ai Livelli'

*Inspired by his passion for Barolo, Tiziano Mazzoni in 1999 returned to his family's roots in Ghemme to prove that the Langhe wasn't the only source of world-class Nebbiolo in Piedmont. This historic micro-region in the shadow of the Alps, thanks to pioneers like Mazzoni, is now returning to its former iconic status with wines that showcase Nebbiolo (here called Spanna) at its most soulful. Ghemme's volcanic, clay-rich soils translate into wines with ample body, structure and character, and Mazzoni's non-interventionist methods allow grapes here to express themselves fully, without filter. With just 11 acres of land, Mazzoni's vinous adventure is truly a labor of love; he produces less than 1,200 cases per year.*

**WINERY:** Azienda Agricola Tiziano Mazzoni

**WINEMAKER:** Tiziano Mazzoni

**ESTABLISHED:** 1999

**REGION:** ITALY • Piedmont • Cavaglio d'Agogna

**APPELLATION:** Ghemme DOCG

**BLEND:** 100% Nebbiolo

**VINEYARDS:** The vineyard 'dei Mazzoni' was winemaker Tiziano Mazzoni's very first vineyard. 'ai Livelli' is a selection of vines from this original plot, which were planted in 1968. It is located in Roncati, a subzone of Ghemme, at 780 feet above sea level. Soils are essentially volcanic, well-draining and high in mineral content, as well as rich in clay.

**AGE OF VINES:** 50 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Destemmed; fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled, stainless steel tanks. Wine remains on the skins for approx. 40 days. Aged for 18 months in older French oak tonneaux (500L) then a further 18 months in older "botti" (traditional 15HL casks, made of French oak), then nine months in bottle. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of black and red cherries, red roses, light pepper, baking spices. Deep, complex and silky; medium tannins.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** With air-dried salami, risotto with wild mushrooms. Pork sausages with herbs, pepper steak.



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