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## Vietti Barbera d'Asti La Crena DOCG - 2017

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WINE ADVOCATE

### PRODUCER PROFILE

Winery Owner(s):

The Krause Family

Winemaker:

Eugenio Palumbo

Winery Founded:

1873

Region:

Piedmont

The 2017 Barbera d'Asti La Crena opens to all the sunshine, exuberance and richness that come with wines from this hot vintage. Barbera is one of the few grapes in Italy's repertoire of indigenous varieties that welcomes the scorching summer heat ("bring it on," it beckons). It maintains its acidity and tart berry profile despite the soaring temperatures. This is more evident with fruit from the Asti area. This wine offers textual weight all backed by tangy freshness. La Crena is partially made with fruit from old vines, planted some 90 years ago. Exactly 13,250 bottles and 175 magnums were released.  
- Monica Larner