# ARGIOLAS



# PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Franco and Giuseppe Argiolas Winemaker: Mariano Murru Total acreage under vine: 600 Estate founded: 1938 Winery production: 22,000 Bottles Region: Sardegna

Country: Italy

# Argiolas Senes Riserva 2017

## WINE DESCRIPTION

The introduction of "Senes" Cannonau di Sardegna DOC Riserva serves the Argiolas family as an homage to the winery's patriarch, Antonio Argiolas, who's 102 years were largely dedicated to cultivating the indigenous varietals of his island.

The vines for "Senes" grow in the Costera estate, which is located in the Siurgus Donigala area to the north of Cagliari in southern Sardegna.

"Senes" is vinified in Stainless Steel tanks before being transferred to fiberglass-lined Concrete where the wine undergoes malolactic fermentation. A full year of ageing in barriques is followed by an additional 12 months' refinement in bottle.

#### TASTING NOTES

"Senes" Cannonau Riserva is deep purple in appearance. The wine is both structured (with firm acid and ripe tannins) and soft/velvety at the same time. Rich aromas of sweet blackberry and prune mingle with Mediterranean herbs and sweet cooking spices like cinnemon and nutmeg. Persistence of flavor throughout the finish underscores the high quality of this limited production wine.

#### FOOD PAIRING

The suppleness and warmth of "Senes" predisposition the wine to work well with hearty fare like stews and braised or roasted meat-based dishes.

#### VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Production area/appellation: Cannonau di Sardegna DOC

Vineyard name: The Costera Estate

Soil composition: Calcareous, Clay, and Gravel

Training method: VSP
Exposure: Various
Bottles produced of this wine: 22,000

## WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 100% Cannonau
Fermentation container: Stainless steel tanks

Length of alcoholic fermentation: 12-15 days 77-82 °F Fermentation temperature: Malolactic fermentation: Yes Type of aging container: **Barriques** Size of aging container: 225L Type of oak: French Length of aging before bottling: 12 months Length of bottle aging: 12 months Total SO2: 120 mg/L

#### ANALYTICAL DATA

 Alcohol:
 14.5%

 pH level:
 3.67

 Residual sugar:
 0.49 g/L

 Acidity:
 0.85 g/L

 Dry extract:
 33.5 g/L

