

# ALMA ASSEMBLAGE 2

## FRANCIACORTA DOCG

Alma Assemblage 2 is the most representative expression of Bellavista's winemaking heritage; it is the emblem of our understanding of terroir, Our Sense of Place.

### HARVEST DIARY

The winter of 2022 featured unusually mild and dry weather, a trend that also marked the spring months. At the end of March – with a slight delay compared to the previous year – the vines began to bud, ushering in a growing season that saw rapid and concentrated flowering, mainly in the second half of May. The absence of rainfall in the first months of the year affected the vintage in two ways: it fostered very healthy grapes, protecting them from disease, and encouraged the vines to be more adaptable, particularly in sparse soil.

Starting in mid-June, the summer displayed decidedly hot traits, with high temperatures. The rains, although rare, arrived at the most opportune moments: those of 28th and 29th July, in particular, helped to re-establish water balance within the soils, supporting the continuation of ripening. The vines continued their cycle without interruption, exhibiting lively, green foliage, a sign of vegetative health that remained excellent right up to the harvest.

The 2022 harvest started early, on 8th August, fostered by lower temperatures that preserved freshness and aromatic finesse in the bunches. It ended on 24th August, at the end of a season that demanded attention and interpretative sensitivity, but which was able to reward the most balanced vineyards – particularly the most mature ones, whose roots, reaching deep down into the soil, found precious resources to support the vines in the driest periods. The result is a vintage with great elegance and structure, capable of coherently narrating a territory that knows the strength of resilience and the harmony of natural balance.

### FROM GRAPE TO GLASS

#### THE VINEYARD, OUR TRUTH

**Denomination** Franciacorta DOCG

**Main Vineyards** Favento, Brede, Uccellanda, Rochetta, Porte Alte, Sasso, Valli, Cancelli Moretti, Casotte, Ceppate

**Average Age of the Vineyards** 29-30 years

**Grape Varieties** 86% Chardonnay, 13% Pinot Noir, 1% Pinot Blanc

**Selections** From 75 Vineyards, with 93 Selections

**Cultivation System** Guyot, Spurred cordon, Sylvoz, Double arched, Single arched

**Plant Density** 5000 vines/ha

**Yield** CH 10,000 kg /ha, PN 9,000 kg/ha PB 9,000 kg/ha

**Harvest Period** From 8th to 24th August 2022

**Type of Harvest** Manual

#### GENTLE OENOLOGY

**Pressing** Free-run must, 1st blend, 2nd blend

**Elevage** 18,6% in pieces, of which 11,5% CH and 7,1% PN

**Creation of 'Assemblage'** 12th February 2023

**Riserva Wines** 23,9% riserva wines of which 12,4% 2021, 6% 2020 and 0,7% 2016

**Bottling** March 2023

**Ageing on the lees** Average 30 months

**Riddling** Manual

**Dosage at Disgorgement** 2 g/L

**Type** Extra Brut

Residual Sugars 1.3 g/L, Total Sugars 3.3 g/L, Alcohol 12.5%, Total Acidity 6.0 g/L,  
pH 3.10, Total Sulphur 47 mg/L (legal limit 185 mg/L)

### WINE STUDY

#### Colour

Brilliant yellow.

#### Perlage

Very fine and persistent, it is enveloped in a creamy, punctiform bubble.

#### Bouquet

A subtle aromatic profile unfolds in a subtle interplay of Mediterranean flowers, citrus notes, delicate balsamic notes, sweet spices. It boasts freshness in an exceptible balance of contrasts between tension and expressive richness, traced in the pure Bellavista style.

#### Palate

A wine that encompasses all the variability of nature, combining on tasting the terroir the grape variety, the plurality of vintages composing it. Balanced, gentle, structured, it reveals complexity and fragrance on the palate, modelled on a precious sapid-mineral vein. Pomelo, white plum, delicate brushstrokes of wildflower honey, candied yellow citrus fruits, are the synthesis of a delicious and well-defined palate, with a prolonged gustative length.



375ml | 750ml | 1500ml  
3000ml | 6000ml | 9000ml