

NICOLA CENTONZE

Curriculum vitae

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Date of Birth 10/03/1985 | Gender Male | Nationality Italian

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

January 2018 – today

WINEMAKING CONSULTANT

San Donaci (BR), Puglia. **ITALY.** <http://www.nicolacentonze.it/>

- Independent winemaking consultant for Puglian wineries.

January 2018 – today

SALES REPRESENTATIVE

Chimica del Salento Srl - San Donaci (BR). **ITALY.** <http://www.chimicadelsalento.it/>

- Sales and distribution in Puglia for Erbslöh®, leading supplier of winemaking products.

April – December 2017

ASSISTANT WINEMAKER

Cantine San Giorgio. San Giorgio Ionico (TA). **ITALY.** <http://www.tinazzi.it/>

- Tasks: Winemaking process from harvest to bottling; bottling line quality control. Staff supervision, dealing with suppliers, inventories, administrative tasks.
- Company annual production: 35.000 hl
- Grape Varieties: Primitivo, Negroamaro, Malvasia Nera, Malvasia Bianca, Chardonnay, Merlot, Sangiovese.

May 2014 - June 2016

HEAD WINEMAKER

WineRo - ALIRA. Cernavoda, **ROMANIA.** <http://www.alira.ro/>

- Tasks: Responsible for all aspects of winemaking from harvest through bottling and storage. Quality control. Organization, creation of daily work schedules and supervision of the cellar staff. Review and interpretation of laboratory results, development of appropriate cellar actions in response to technical and/or sensory observations. Assisting in blending, developing of experimental trials. Grape sampling and monitoring of the vineyards. Administrative tasks, stock and supplier management and budget planning. Trade show attending on behalf of the company.
- Company annual production: 5.000 hl
- Grape varieties: Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Feteasca Neagra, Sauvignon Blanc.

September - November
2013

HARVEST CELLAR HAND

Nyetimber Limited. West Chiltington, West Sussex. **ENGLAND.** <http://nyetimber.com/>

- Tasks: Sparkling wine production, traditional method. Grape juice processing, fermentation, adjustments. Equipment management and cleaning.
- Company annual production: 10.000 hl
- Grape varieties: Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, Pinot Meunier, Chardonnay.

February 2013 - April 2013

HARVEST ASSISTANT WINEMAKER

Valle de la Puerta SA, Vichigasta. La Rioja, **ARGENTINA.** <http://www.valledelapuerta.com>

- Tasks: winemaking process during the harvest season, from grape receiving through fermentation and adjustments. Supervision of cellar staff and quality control. Laboratory analysis and interpretation of analytical data. Equipment management and cleaning.
- Company annual production: 50.000 hl
- Grape varieties: Malbec, Bonarda, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah, Aspiran, Torrontés, Chardonnay, Viognier, Sauvignon Blanc.

February 2011 - May 2012

ASSISTANT WINEMAKER

San Donaci Co-operative Winery, San Donaci (BR), ITALY. <http://www.cantinasandonaci.eu>

- Tasks: Winemaking process from harvest to bottle; bottling quality control; administrative tasks; equipment management and cleaning.
- Company annual production: 30.000 hl
- Grape varieties: Negroamaro, Primitivo, Malvasia Nera, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Syrah, Lambrusco, Petit Verdot, Viognier, Malvasia Bianca, Chardonnay, Moscato, Garganega.

February - April 2010

HARVEST CELLAR HAND

Valle de la Puerta SA. Vichigasta. La Rioja, ARGENTINA. <http://www.valledelapuerta.com>

- Tasks: winemaking process during the harvest season, from grape receiving through fermentation, clarification and adjustments. Equipment management and cleaning.
- Company annual production: 50.000 hl
- Grape varieties: Malbec, Bonarda, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah, Aspiran, Torrontés, Chardonnay, Viognier, Sauvignon Blanc.

August - October 2006

HARVEST CELLAR HAND

Barone Ricasoli Spa. Gaiole in Chianti (SI), ITALY. <http://www.ricasoli.it>

- Tasks: winemaking process during the harvest season, grape receiving and fermentation. Equipment management and cleaning.
- Company annual production: 20.000 hl
- Grape varieties: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Sangiovese, Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay.

EDUCATION

2008 – 2009

MASTER OF SCIENCES IN VITICULTURE AND OENOLOGY

University of Turin, Italy

107/110

2004 – 2008

BACHELOR IN VITICULTURE AND OENOLOGY

University of Florence, Italy

99/110

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue
Other languages

ITALIAN

ENGLISH: Upper-Intermediate level, both spoken and written

SPANISH: Upper-Intermediate level, both spoken and written

ROMANIAN: Elementary level, mainly spoken

Communication skills

- **Very good communication and presentation skills**
- **Excellent team work ability**
- **High flexibility and adaptability in different social and cultural contexts**, developed while living and working abroad. Besides my professional experience, during 2013 and 2014 I carried out various voluntary activities in Scotland, England and France, for a total of 5 months.

Organisational skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Excellent leadership skills, able to effectively organize work and coordinate teams. I've gained strong leadership experience in Italy, Romania and Argentina, with even more than 25 between permanent and seasonal workers under my responsibility. ▪ Good sense of organization, logistics and management of the cellar, acquired mainly during my experience as Head Winemaker. I've been also involved in the organization of cultural events, wine tasting meetings and aperitifs in Italy. ▪ Strong attention to detail; precise, neat and tidy. ▪ Great ability to work under pressure.
Other job-related skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pruning and vineyard management: more than 12 years of practical vineyard experience and guide of machinery, in the context of my own family-run vineyard (6 ha). ▪ Excellent wine tasting skills, non smoker.
Computer skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Good command of Microsoft Office™ tools (Word, Excel) ▪ Excellent command of Internet and e-mail ▪ Windows™ and GNU/Linux (Ubuntu)
Other skills and hobbies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sport: Karate - black belt 2° Dan ▪ Gardening, vegetable farming, organic agriculture, olive oil production, cooking.
Driving licence	European B

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Projects	<p>2004. Educational experience in the Netherlands at the company "Anthura Anthuriumweg", "Wellant International College" and the flower auction in Aalsmeer, as part of the international project "Production of Quality Nursery Gardening", achieving an overall "excellent".</p> <p>2008. Participation at the research project: "Increase Barbera, study of new technologies for monitoring and evaluation of the quality of the grapes Barbera". Research, development of new methods for the control of their quality". Faculty of Agronomic Sciences, University of Turin, Italy.</p>
Publications	"Preliminary studies on polyphenol assessment by fourier transform-near infrared spectroscopy (FT- NIR) in grape berries". Pagliarani C; Ferrandino A; Centonze N ; Schubert A. Quad. Vitic. Enol. Univ. Torino, 31, 2009-2010 (37-41).
References <i>(complete text available upon request)</i>	<p>"(...) Nicola is very passionate at his work, always willing to take over new challenges and responsibilities. He also showed great initiative and carried out experimental trials that has been successful, like developing a new sweet red wine for our Company (...) With his positive attitude and hard working personality, I'm totally confident that he shall definitely become a very valuable asset to any winery like he was to ours"</p> <p>Ghenadie Bobeica, General Manager. WineRo Crama (Romania, 2016).</p> <p>"(...) In his role as a winemaker he has demonstrated a high level of technical ability and dedication, being clear the integrity of his character, commitment to the objectives, full knowledge of his work and great team work ability. He has also been an excellent colleague thanks to his flexibility and great character (...)"</p> <p>Javier E. Collovati, Production Manager. Valle de la Puerta (Argentina, 2013).</p> <p>"(...) My judgement about Nicola is certainly positive, as he has demonstrated an excellent preparation and good ability in both conceptual and physical work. His deep interest in wine production led Nicola to discuss with the various responsible of the winery, always making questions and demonstrating a strong desire to learn (...)"</p> <p>Massimiliano Biagi, Director of Agriculture. Barone Ricasoli (Italy, 2006).</p>

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