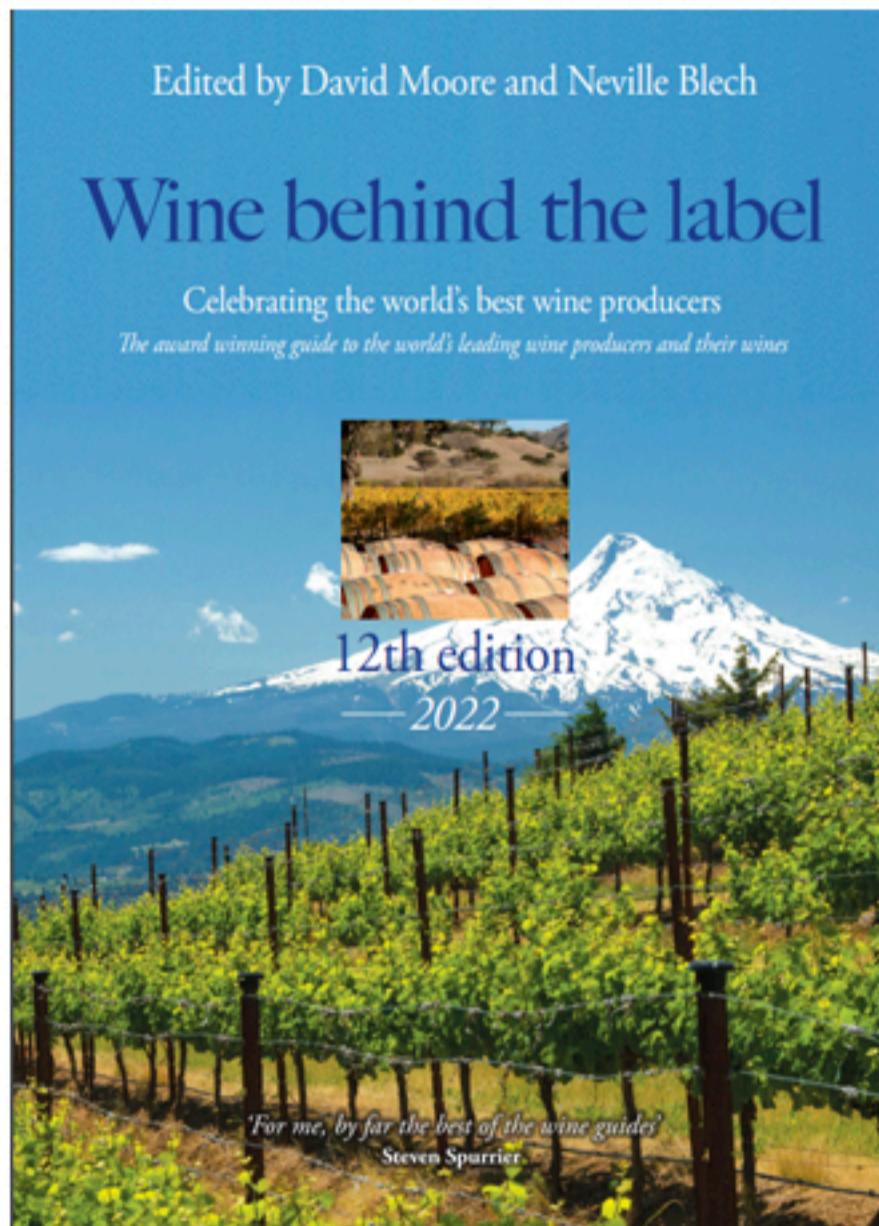




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Sergio Zenato established this well-known house in 1960 which though Lugana-based also includes a significant production from Valpolicella. Whilst the regular cuvées only rarely offer much excitement, the special bottlings can be very good indeed. As well as vibrant, chewy Valpolicella Ripassa there are the 'signature' Riserva wines – powerful Amarone and a concentrated Lugana. New is a *barrique*-fermented and aged Chardonnay Riserva. There is also Cresasso, an IGT red from 100% Corvina given 18 months in French oak; a dense, chewy style, it's likely to need plenty of bottle age. La Sansonina is an estate owned by Carla Prospero, the wife of Sergio Zenato. The existing Merlot vines were supplemented by further plantings and adds Cabernet Sauvignon to Merlot. This stylish red is fully ripe and shows a chocolaty, cedar complexity with five years' age or more.

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Recommended Reds:

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva Sergio Zenato ★★★ £F

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico ★ £E

Valpolicella Superiore Ripassa ★★ £C

Valpolicella Classico Superiore ★ £C

Recommended Whites:

Lugana Riserva Sergio Zenato ★★ £C

La Sansonina

Recommended Reds:

Sansonina ★★★ £E