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## SOLARA, NATURAL RED, PANCIU, ROMANIA, 2020



### Producer Profile

The Cramele Recas Estate, owned by Englishman, Philip Cox and his Romanian wife Elvira, have put in a huge amount of work into transforming their slice of grape growing history into a contemporary winemaking haven.

The immaculate vineyards are a combination of evolved plantings from 1447 and much more recent plantings too. With recent investments into modernising and improving their winery, they regularly host world class flying winemakers, vintage to vintage, to work with their team. This enables them to create top quality wines and constantly challenge themselves push innovations and approach winemaking with an open mind.

### Viticulture

Winemaking team, Hartley Smithers from Australia, and Nora Iriate from Spain, together veterans of over 50 harvests in all the world's wine producing regions, oversee the production of all the wines from grapes till bottle with a fanatical attention to detail. The philosophy is simple- to apply the absolute best production methods to every single wine, to enhance and preserve the natural quality of the grapes, and provide a consistently high quality product every year for every level of wine made.

### Winemaking

Grapes were destemmed, lightly crushed and then macerated for 5 days on the skins. No additives at all were used in the winery. After 10 days on skins the free run wine was drained, and the free run juice fermented, after which there was a full natural malolactic fermentation in stainless steel tanks.

### Technical Details

#### Varieties:

Pinot Noir 68%

Merlot 31%

ABV: 13.5%

Closure: Screw cap

Colour: Red

Style: Still wine

Case Size: 6 x 75cl

#### Oak Treatment

No oak treatment

### Tasting Note

This natural wine is chocca block packed full of bramble fruit notes with raspberry and blackberry dominating the aroma, smooth and juicy with complex notes of blueberry and moderate acidity and smooth tannins on the finish.

### Food Matching

T- Bone steak, wild boar ragu or rich pasta dishes.