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Back in 1988, three families decided to invest in a winery in Romania, starting with 650 hectares of slightly unloved vineyards and a rusty, once state-owned winery.

Yet Englishman Philip Cox and his Romanian wife Elvira, have turned the Cramele Recas Estate into the most successful winery in Romania. Recas are now recognised globally for their impressive scale and breadth of fascinating wines, including natural and orange wine from organic grapes. Despite the scale the emphasis is on making good wines that over-deliver, and as a result they've struck on a magic formula that has seen sales and demand boom. Vineyards are a combination of evolved plantings from 1447 and more recent planting, whilst the winery has seen significant investment and boasts state of the art facilities where innovation thrives. Recas are in every way a modern, dynamic winery, whose open minded approach and quality sets them apart ... a winery you really can't ignore.

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

The winery has been fully fitted out with stainless steel, automatic temperature controlled tanks for fermenting and storing the wine. The primary vinification facility has been completely renewed with the best possible equipment for gently crushing, destemming, pressing the grapes- in order to be able to maintain all the quality in the grapes whilst doing so in the most environmentally friendly way.

Highlights

- The Umbrele and Calusari wines are fresh, fruity and extremely approachable.
- Indigenous Romanian as well as international varietals carefully selected from re-established vineyards as well as innovative winemaking techniques are used for the Alamina project.
- Solara Orange is a white wine macerated on its skins, and a great example of the latest evolution in wine style.

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Umbrele Pinot Grigio, Vilie Timisului, Romania, 2021

Product code: 4028







Umbrele Pinot Grigio, Vilie Timisului, Romania, 2022

Product code: 4028







Solevari Reserve, Feteascã Regalã, DOC, Viile Timisului, Romania, 2022

Product code: 3943







Solara, Orange, Viile Timisului, Romania, 2022

Product code: 3563







Solara, Orange, Viile Timisului, Romania, 2023

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