



The Wonderful Wines of Italy

'Un Cordiale Benvenuto ai Meravigliosi Vini Italiani'

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Barolo

Often referred to as the King of Wines, it is full-bodied, tannic, and complex, made from the Nebbiolo grape grown near the village of Barolo in Piedmont in northern Italy. It is a robust red wine that takes on delicious subtleties with age. By law it must be aged at least three years prior to release, with at least two years in cask. If aged four years or more, it is Riserva. Barolo possesses the typical garnet color of wines from this grape, aromas of cherries hinting of violets, roses and with age developing a complexity of nuances.

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| 37a | 2011 | Barolo ‘Cannubi’ _____ | Marchesi di Barolo | 110.00 | 96 | Full body, polished tannins, beautiful blueberry, dark red plum and spice character. A long and flavorful finish. |
| 46 | 2011 | Barolo _____ | Pio Cesare | 75.50 | 95 | Full body, deep and subtle center palate of strawberry, cherry and hints of chocolate. Superb finish. |
| 59 ★ | 2013 | Barolo ‘Casina Nuova’ _____ | Elvio Cagno | 78.50 | 97 | The full-bodied palate delivers flavors of dark cherry and crushed raspberry alongside refined tannins. Long finish. |
| 65 | 2010 | Barolo ‘Tebavio’ _____ | Tenuta L’Illuminata | 72.00 | 95 | The flavor is rich with ripe red cherry and raspberry notes, long lasting aftertaste with a hint of cacao. |
| 48 | 2013 | Barolo ‘Parafada’ _____ | Massolino | 105.00 | 97 | Full-bodied palate shows energy, intensity, delivers ripe dark berry, cranberry and balsamic notes, refined tannins. |
| 53 ★ | 2013 | Barolo ‘Serralunga d’Alba’ _____ | Massolino | 69.50 | 96 | Full-bodied palate shows energy, intensity, delivers ripe dark berry, cranberry and balsamic notes, refined tannins. |
| 77 ★ | 2012 | Barolo ‘Villero’ _____ | Poderi Oddero | 87.00 | 97 | Lushly textured with spicy plum and cherry flavors. Balanced tannins on the long elegant finish. |
| 217 ★ | 2013 | Barolo ‘Marcenasco’ _____ | Renato Ratti | 65.50 | 95 | Aromas and flavors of sweet, juicy, ripe black cherries, a focused structure that ends elegantly long. |
| 74 | 2012 | Barolo _____ | Giovanni Rosso | 72.00 | 95 | Cherry, strawberry and black fruit characteristics, s silky mouthfeel and fine tannins, a long finish. |
| 29 | 2011 | Barolo ‘Le Vigne’ _____ | Luciano Sandrone | 135.00 | 97 | On the palate fine grained tannins frame dried black cherry and plum character. Poised for a long cellar evolution. |
| 88 | 2013 | Barolo ‘Carobric’ _____ | Paolo Scavino | 73.00 | 96 | Super-elegant, very rich, refined and layered with very fine tannins and a long, long fruit filled finish. |
| 38 ★ | 2013 | Barolo _____ | Paolo Scavino | 59.50 | 95 | Full body with flavors of plums and cherries over elegant, polished tannins. Excellent length. |
| 48a | 2012 | Barolo ‘Campe’ _____ | La Spinetta | 160.00 | 97 | Fabulous texture, full-body, ultra-fine tannins that give its shape and overall energy. Super subtle fruit and finesse. |
| 70 ★ | 2012 | Barolo ‘Castiglione’ _____ | Vietti | 66.00 | 96 | Dense and full-bodied, flows across the palate, generous ripe black fruit and overall balance on the long finish. |
| 48b | 2009 | Barolo Riserva ‘Villero’ _____ | Vietti | 335.00 | 100 | Robert Parker writes: a wine of staggering beauty and flawlessness, the moment your nose descends into the glass you are made instantly aware of the enormity before you. Anticipated maturity: 2017 – 2039. |

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Barbaresco

In Piedmont often referred to as Barolo's younger brother, also made from the Nebbiolo grape, however, the soil in Barbaresco produces a slightly gentler, elegant wine. Still, it is generally robust with assertive acidity and firm tannins. Each producer has their own style, from the traditional rustic, tannic, barrel influenced approach to the modern, softer, fruit influenced rounder offering. Barbaresco must be aged for a minimum of two years before release; if aged for three years or more, it is a Riserva.

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| 220 | 2010 | Barbaresco _____ | Beni di Batasiolo | 53.00 | 93 | A ripe, juicy wine with blueberry and plum character and hints of hazelnut and blanched almonds. |
| 99 | 2010 | Barbaresco 'Asili' _____ | Michele Chiarlo | 86.00 | 96 | Full body and very fine with a polished, silky-textured mouthfeel. Beautiful fruit. An outstanding Barbaresco. |
| 42 | 2009 | Barbaresco 'Baluchin' Riserva _____ | Cocito | 74.50 | 94 | Round, sensual and inviting. Sweet red cherry, orange peel add complexity as this opens up effortlessly in the glass. |
| 63 ★ | 2015 | Barbaresco 'Bric Balin' _____ | Moccagatta | 71.50 | 97 | Full-bodied with a rich palate showing succulent flavors of lush black cherry and dark chocolate, long finish. |
| 24 ★ | 2014 | Barbaresco 'Sori' Paitin' _____ | Paitin | 67.00 | 95 | Intense flavors of pure cherry, plum and raspberry introduce this silky, delicate red, which is firmly structured. |
| 67 | 2007 | Barbaresco 'Vigneto Nervo' _____ | Pertinace | 62.00 | 93 | Big and rich with cherry and raspberry flavors and intense fragrances of vanilla. Velvety |
| 98 ★ | 2013 | Barbaresco 'Albesani' _____ | Cantina del Pino | 76.00 | 95 | It's super-elegant and refined. Featuring cherry and plum notes that prevail on the long, silky finish. |
| 221 | 2013 | Barbaresco 'Gallina' _____ | Cantina del Pino | 72.00 | 94 | Dark cherry, plum and spice run through this decidedly ample Barbaresco. Ripeness is pushed to the limit. |
| 49 | 2014 | Barbaresco Riserva 'Montestefano' _____ | Produttori del Barbaresco | 76.50 | 96 | The focused structured palate delivers juicy Morello cherry and raspberry flavors up to the lingering finish. |
| 34 | 2016 | Barbaresco 'Cotta' _____ | Albino Rocca | 68.00 | 95 | Juicy and structured, the firm but elegant palate offers ripe Marasca cherry flavors in the full-body |
| 54 | 2013 | Barbaresco 'Vigneto Valeirano' _____ | La Spinetta | 150.00 | 95 | Single vineyard cru, 40-50 year old vines. Tastes of black cherry, cranberry and red plum. Long and bold finish. |
| 104 | 2012 | Barbaresco 'Bordini' _____ | La Spinetta | 73.50 | 93 | This is a very aromatic rendition of Nebbiolo with a bouquet of spice tones, juicy black fruit and barbecue smoke. |
| 48c | 2013 | Barbaresco 'Masseria' _____ | Vietti | 98.50 | 95 | Improves in the glass as its core of dark fruit gradually emerges from a wall of tannins. Long supple finish. |

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Amarone

In Veneto, from the same grapes as Valpolicella, Amarone is made by first drying newly picked grapes for months, either on straw mats or slatted racks, to concentrate their sugars. The resulting wine is sweet but then additional fermentation is induced to convert the remaining sugar and produce Amarone a dry red with considerable body and alcohol that tastes of cherries, prunes and bitter almonds. The wine is rich, lush and with lengthy aging, its youthful largesse becomes austere, ethereal, though still retaining the amaro (bitter) dry finish that gives it its name.

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| 93 | 2012 | Amarone _____ | Acinum | 61.00 | 93 | Full-bodied, a bold palate that offers flavors of ripe black cherry, black raspberry and a hint of fig. |
| 19 ★ | 2015 | Amarone Classico _____ | Allegrini | 83.50 | 95 | The rich palate doles out plum, black cherry, cinnamon notes alongside smooth velvety tannins. Long finish. |
| 28a | 2011 | Amarone, 'Villa Arvedi' _____ | Bertani | 68.00 | 93 | Concentrated intense dried-fruit, cherry and laurel. Full-bodied, powdery tannins, fine oak notes |
| 224 | 2011 | Amarone Classico _____ | Bussola | 76.00 | 95 | Thick but magically light on its feet, with luscious penetrating red fruit and very strong chocolatey flavors. |
| 235 | 2011 | Amarone Classico 'Colle Cristi' _____ | Michele Castellani | 68.50 | 93 | Notes of ripe fruit and dark chocolate with compact tannins. Full-bodied, smooth, a long finish. |
| 35 | 2015 | Amarone Classico _____ | Remo Farina | 59.00 | 94 | This vintage is luxurious with black cherry, plum, chocolate and raisin flavors on the palate. |
| 31 ★ | 2011 | Amarone Classico 'Costasera' _____ | Masi | 74.00 | 96 | The full-bodied rich palate delivers black plum, raisin, and cinnamon supported by velvety tannins. |
| 40 | 2012 | Amarone 'Punta di Villa' _____ | Roberto Mazzi | 67.00 | 93 | Aromas of jam and chocolate, with a deep level of red fruit. Well-constructed, elegant and velvety taste. |
| 101 | 2013 | Amarone 'Selezione Antonio Castagnedi' _____ | Sant' Antonio | 62.00 | 93 | Smooth, dense, red cherry and dark plum nuances with hints of raisins and figs. Long silky finish. |
| 100 ★ | 2012 | Amarone Classico 'Vigneto Monte Sant'Urbano' _____ | Speri | 79.50 | 95 | Offering blueberry notes. Full body with subtle fruit and a firm, polished tannin structure. |
| 222 | 2012 | Amarone Classico _____ | Tedeschi | 68.00 | 93 | Rich, dense, with red and black fruit flavors complicated by coffee and cocoa nuances on to the smooth ending. |
| 56 | 2012 | Amarone Classico _____ | Tommasi | 82.50 | 95 | Rich, full, ripe fruit flavors on the palate supported by velvety tannins through to the fruit finish. |
| 218 | 2008 | Amarone _____ | Torre d'Orti | 63.00 | 93 | Rich, intense, jammy aromas of juicy blackberry and oak, full palate of sweet red fruit. |
| 94 | 2012 | Amarone Classico _____ | Zenato | 73.00 | 94 | The dense palate delivers mature black cherry crushed raspberry and vanilla flavors along with velvety tannins. |

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Brunello

A great red wine from Brunello grapes, [clone of Sangiovese Grosso] grown in the commune of Montalcino in Tuscany. It is a long-lived, big, rich, wine that is aged two to four years in wood before release. Wine that undergoes an additional year aging is Riserva. It is a firmly structured wine, full in body, that displays richness of extract and concentration of fruit.

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| 57 ★ | 2012 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Argiano | 72.00 | 96 | Full body, integrated and polished tannins and a superb finish. This is a 2012 Brunello with it all. |
| 83 ★ | 2013 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Poggio Il Castellare | 69.50 | 95 | On the palate, soft velvety textures with flavors of dark red fruits and a hint of chocolate. Medium long finish. |
| 228 | 2012 | Brunello di Montalcino ‘Vigna di Pianrosso’ _____ | Ciacci Piccolomini | 95.00 | 98 | Aromas of dried cherries and plums follow through to a full body with velvety tannins and fruity aftertaste. |
| 80 ★ | 2012 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Ciacci Piccolomini | 74.00 | 96 | Ripe dark fruity aromas and flavors, round tannins, full-bodied, well balanced with a nice finish. |
| 68 ★ | 2012 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Col d’Orcia | 71.00 | 96 | Fruity with plum, black cherry and walnut undertones set against a backdrop of firm, finely grained tannins. |
| 86 | 2011 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Conti Costanti | 84.50 | 95 | Dark, powerful and mysterious in the glass. Dark juicy fruit. A backbone of assertive but fine-grained tannins. |
| 97 | 2010 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Fattoi Ofelia & Figli | 71.50 | 95 | Aromas of black cherry, lemon-peel and raspberry, full body with silky tannins and a long finish. |
| 67a | 2010 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Fulgini | 110.00 | 98 | Lush with deep flavors of red cherry and raspberry, sophisticated tannins and superb length. |
| 234 | 2015 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Podere Giudo | 165.00 | 100 | Full-bodied with incredibly integrated tannins that seem like they are not there. Great depth that just floats on the palate. Cherry aromas and flavors that make for a perfect postscript. Rated 100 points by James Suckling. |
| 89 | 2011 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Silvio Nardi | 79.00 | 96 | Silky texture, great finesse and profound flavors, framed by velvety tannins and toasty oak notes. |
| 92 | 2013 | Brunello di Montalcino ‘Livio Sassetti’ _____ | Podere Pertimali | 86.00 | 98 | Intense and complex yet subtle, full-bodied, refined flavors of juicy dark plums and red berries. Long length. |
| 50 | 2013 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Piancornello | 77.00 | 96 | An alluring expression of sweet cherry, strawberry and rose flavors. Balanced and elegant, harmonious finish. |
| 23 | 2012 | Brunello di Montalcino Riserva ‘Vigna Paganelli’ _____ | Il Poggione | 119.00 | 97 | Delivers an inviting and velvety presentation. Redolent of ripe black cherry, dried blackberry. Super long finish. |
| 84 | 2013 | Brunello di Montalcino _____ | Il Poggione | 97.00 | 96 | Rich, with excellent density, ripe cherry, plum fruit and bittersweet chocolate flavors. |
| 236 | 2015 | Brunello di Montalcino ‘Amore e Magia’ _____ | Podere Le Ripi | 175.00 | 100 | A very incisive bouquet with a sharp and vertical delivery that is pushed by a touch of volatility. Candied cherry, plum and raspberry flavors in a medium to full body Velvety and rich finish. Rated 100 Falstaff magazine. |
| 103a | 2010 | Brunello di Montalcino ‘Greppone Mazzi’ _____ | Ruffino | 87.00 | 96 | Focused with cherry, strawberry and prune flavors. Full body, velvety tannins and a long finish. |
| 52 ★ | 2012 | Brunello di Montalcino ‘Campogiovanni’ _____ | San Felice | 75.50 | 96 | Full-bodied, with a wonderful integrated silky tannin structure. Subtle and complete rich black fruit flavors. |

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Super Tuscan - Vino da Tavola

Today some of Italy's greatest wines do not qualify for "denominazione di origine controllata" status, but are labeled and sold as humble "vini da tavola". Nowhere is there a greater profusion of such wines than in Tuscany where they are sometimes known as the Super Tuscan. These "Designer Wines", that reflects the producer's character and that of their estate, often are made from Sangiovese or Cabernet Sauvignon or a blend of each. Other grape varieties such as Merlot, Pinot Noir and Syrah also may be part of the wine's blend. Generally these wines are barrique aged with flavors that are oak influenced.

The wines below are listed by grape varietals and blends

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| 55 | 2015 | Toscana _____ <i>Sangiovese.</i> Full body with blackberry, black cherry and floral aromas and flavors. Solid fruit-coated tannins. | Poderi Giodo | 73.50 | 97 |
| 60 | 2013 | Cepparello _____ <i>Sangiovese.</i> A pure expression of Sangiovese, stunning elegance and balance. Succulent red cherry, plum character. | Isole e Olena | 85.00 | 97 |
| 82 ★ | 2015 | Al Passo _____ <i>Sangiovese, Cabernet, Merlot.</i> Rich fruit flavors of black cherry burst from the glass in this sunny vintage. | Tolaini | 46.00 | 95 |
| 219 | 2015 | Tignanello _____ <i>Sangiovese, Cabernet, Cabernet Franc.</i> Full-bodied, with soft and velvety tannins. Flavors have hints of ripe black plums and chocolate that carry through to a fabulous, long finish. | Marchesi Antinori | 130.00 | 98 |
| 44 ★ | 2015 | Santa Christina in Pilli, Carmignano _____ <i>Sangiovese, Cabernet, Canaiolo.</i> Full body with good expressions of blackberries, plums and currants. | Fattoria Ambra | 43.00 | 95 |
| 20 | 2016 | Villa di Capezzana, Carmignano _____ <i>Sangiovese, Cabernet.</i> Crimson and dark, full of concentration and grace. Dark cherry and blackberry flavors. | Capezzana | 52.50 | 96 |
| 60a | 2012 | Rosso dei Notri _____ <i>Sangiovese, Merlot, Cabernet, Syrah.</i> Ripe dark red cherry and plum notes fill the glass. | Tua Rita | 44.50 | 95 |
| 90 ★ | 2013 | Maestro Raro _____ <i>Cabernet.</i> Superb depth and pure power with black cherries and a hint of chocolate racing across the palate. | Felsina | 74.50 | 96 |
| 81 | 2011 | Cignale _____ <i>Cabernet, Merlot.</i> Shows dark cherry and dark fruit layers with generous cinnamon and spice notes. | Castello di Querceto | 84.50 | 95 |
| 64 | 2015 | Sammarco _____ <i>Cabernet, Sangiovese, Merlot.</i> Dazzling bouquet, layers of rich dark fruit carry to the long finish. | Castello dei Rampolla | 110.00 | 98 |
| 62 | 2016 | Sassicaia _____ <i>85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Cabernet Franc.</i> Intense, full bodied, concentrated, this wine offers elegant complex aromas of red fruit. In the mouth it is rich, dense, yet harmonious, with sweet balanced tannins. Extraordinary. Robert Parker's Wine Advocate 100 points. Best from 2021 through 2043. Limit of 1 per table. | Tenuta San Guido | 270.00 | 100 |
| 96 | 2015 | Guidalberto _____ <i>Cabernet, Merlot.</i> From Sassicaia. Full body, extremely fine tannins, bright finish. A generous red. | Tenuta San Guido | 61.00 | 95 |
| 69 ★ | 2013 | Sondraia _____ <i>Cabernet, Merlot, Cabernet Franc.</i> Dark and luscious with a core of ripe black cherry fruit on the palate. | Poggio al Tesoro | 66.50 | 96 |
| 51 ★ | 2015 | Solengo _____ <i>Cabernet, Petit Verdot, Merlot, Syrah.</i> Full body, rich, dense, yet vibrant, imbued with blackberry, black currant fruit. | Argiano | 79.50 | 97 |
| 85 | 2012 | Geremia _____ <i>Merlot, Cabernet.</i> Dark, possesses exceptional depth, concentrated core of rich black cherry flavors. Outstanding. | Rocca di Montegrossi | 66.00 | 96 |
| 78 | 2015 | Campo al Mare _____ <i>Merlot, Cabernet, Cabernet Franc.</i> Plump, juicy with flavors of dark cherries, and ripe plums. Full bodied. | Folonari | 53.00 | 96 |
| 76 | 2015 | Oreno _____ <i>Merlot, Cabernet, Petit Verdot.</i> Rich and dense, but elegant. Black cherry and black currant flavors. Exceptional. | Tenuta Sette Ponti | 110.00 | 98 |

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Chianti

From the region of Tuscany, Chianti is produced in seven distinct sub zones, including the original core area of Chianti Classico. Its major grape variety is Sangiovese. As of 1995 the new Italian laws allow producers to market pure Sangiovese as Chianti Classico with the option to blend up to fifteen percent of other approved varieties. Chianti is made in two basic styles, one is Normale, the regular Chianti, that is meant to be drunk young and is more fresh and straightforward. The second style is Riserva that is aged before release and is usually more concentrated and tannic.

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| 47 | 2015 | Chianti Classico _____ | Badia a Coltibuono | 44.00 | 95 | |
| | | The savory palate doles out flavors of juicy black cherry and crushed raspberry. Fine grained tannins. | | | | |
| 87 ★ | 2015 | Chianti Classico _____ | Dievole | 43.50 | 95 | |
| | | Medium-bodied with ripe fruit flavors, a bit precious on the palate, soft aftertaste. | | | | |
| 39 | 2016 | Chianti Classico Riserva 'Rancia' _____ | Felsina | 74.00 | 97 | |
| | | Vibrant tones of wild cherry, raspberry and spice. A wine of breath, textural intensity and pure power. | | | | |
| 73 | 2015 | Chianti Classico _____ | Felsina | 45.00 | 94 | |
| | | Full body, silky and polished tannins with rich dark fruit to the finish. A wine that shows depth, lots of flavor. | | | | |
| 72 ★ | 2014 | Chianti Classico _____ | Lamole di Lamole | 45.00 | 95 | |
| | | A ripe, medium to full-bodied Sangiovese with fresh black cherry flavors that resonate across the palate. | | | | |
| 230 ★ | 2013 | Chianti Classico Riserva _____ | Castello Monsanto | 44.50 | 93 | |
| | | Balanced with nicely ripened black cherry fruit. A beautiful Riserva with finesse through the long finish. | | | | |
| 102 | 2012 | Chianti Classico Riserva 'San Marcellino' _____ | Rocca di Montegrossi | 53.50 | 94 | |
| | | Dark, brooding, intense and beautifully layered with notes of dried cherries, plum and a hint of orange zest. | | | | |
| 105 | 2011 | Chianti Classico Riserva 'Grosso Senese' _____ | Il Palazzino | 48.00 | 94 | |
| | | Sweet red cherry, vanilla and plum flavors infuse this deep, resonant Chianti Classico. Intense and persistent. | | | | |
| 232 | 2013 | Chianti Classico _____ | Castello dei Rampolla | 52.50 | 93 | |
| | | Full-bodied style with a rich core of cherry, black currant. Balanced with refined tannins on the flavorful finish. | | | | |
| 223 | 2014 | Chianti Classico Riserva 'Ducale Oro' Gran Selezione _____ | Ruffino | 58.00 | 95 | |
| | | Very polished and refined with a medium body. Citrus, berries and light hazelnuts on the fresh finish. | | | | |
| 22 ★ | 2012 | Chianti Classico Riserva 'Il Grigio' _____ | San Felice | 44.50 | 93 | |
| | | Black cherry, strawberry and vanilla flavors carry through on the bright finish. | | | | |
| 229 | 2015 | Chianti Classico Riserva _____ | Castello di Volpaia | 55.50 | 96 | |
| | | Full-bodied palate of black cherry, currants, ripe fruits, and silky tannins, with a long balanced finish. | | | | |

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| 18 | 2015 | Pinot Nero 'Red Angel on the Moonlight' _____ | Jermann | 49.00 | 91 | Notes of wild berry, fresh blueberry, and tangy blood orange. Taste is elegant, and full-bodied. |
| 32 | 2016 | Pinot Noir 'Vallee d'Aoste' _____ | Ottin | 53.00 | 94 | A delicious, delicate pinot noir with strawberry and citrus undertones that follow through to a medium body. |
| 18a ★ | 2018 | Pinot Noir 'Rolhut' _____ | Peter Zemmer | 41.50 | 92 | The palate is bright, delivering ripe cherry and raspberry flavors with a touch of spice. The finish is long. |
| 30 | 2018 | Pinot Noir _____ | Andriano | 44.00 | 92 | Ruby red color with aromas of berries and dried fruit. Medium bodied on the palate, perfect balance. |
| 21 ★ | 2015 | Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso 'Palazzo della Torre' _____ | Allegrini | 41.50 | 94 | Big, thick, rich and full-bodied with dark berry flavors nicely framed by oak. |
| 79 | 2016 | Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso _____ | Remo Farina | 40.00 | 91 | Aromas of black ripe blackberries, black plums and a bit of dark spice. Mocha flavors with balance and structure. |
| 41 | 2015 | Vino Nobile di Montepulciano _____ | La Braccasca | 46.00 | 92 | Ripe, vibrant cherry and blackberry fruit on a soft juicy palate with supple tannins in this harmonious red. |
| 28 | 2012 | Vino Nobile di Montepulciano _____ | Torcalvano | 45.50 | 92 | Medium-bodied, offering aromas and flavors of ripe black cherry and ripe plum. Fine-grained tannins. |
| 33 ★ | 2016 | Opera No. 3, Vinum Italicum _____ | Tinazzi | 49.00 | 98 | <i>Corvina, Primitivo, Nero d'Avola.</i> The unusual blend of grapes gives this dark jammy wine a strong Amarone character. It is very full-bodied with rich dark fruit flavors, finishes long. The glass bottle is extremely heavy. |
| 231 ★ | 2012 | Montiano _____ | Falesco | 66.00 | 97 | Single-vineyard <i>Merlot</i> , full-bodied, well-rounded on the palate. Plump, opulent black cherry, blackberry flavors. |
| 45 | 2010 | Rosso del Conte _____ | Tasca d'Almerita | 78.50 | 95 | A Sicilian blend of <i>Nero d'Avola, Cabernet, Cabernet Franc.</i> Black cherry, black currant weave together seamlessly. |
| 227 | 2014 | Peloro Rosso _____ | Bibi Graetz Casematte | 44.00 | 94 | Delicious blend from Sicily. <i>Nerello Mascalese, Nocera</i> , juicy black cherry, raspberry flavors. |
| 36 | 2014 | Contrada Rampante Etna Rosso _____ | Pietradolce | 58.50 | 95 | <i>Nerello Mascalese</i> grapes grown on the slopes of Mt. Etna. Fruity and Mediterranean tones in the full lively taste. |
| 17 ★ | 2012 | Montefalco Sagrantino _____ | Scacciadiavoli | 64.00 | 95 | From Umbria. Rich flavors of blueberry, black cherry, plum and mocha. Dark, dense balanced palate, long finish. |
| 43 | 2012 | Il Fauno _____ | Arcanum | 49.00 | 93 | <i>Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet, Petit Verdot.</i> Black currant, raspberry and spice flavors on a smooth finish. |

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| 306 | 2015 | Chardonnay 'Collezione Privata' _____ | Isole e Olena | 58.00 | 93 | Great balance of rich, ripe fruit. Toasted almond notes. A full-bodied mouthfeel extends through to a long finish. |
| 310 | 2015 | Chardonnay _____ | Planeta | 59.00 | 95 | A Sicilian round <i>Chardonnay</i> with a vanilla, apple and honey character. Full body, balanced, structured. |
| 318 ★ | 2016 | Chardonnay 'Cervaro della Sala' _____ | Castella della Sala | 75.00 | 97 | A <i>Chardonnay</i> blend from Antinori. Full-bodied, round, buttery notes of vanilla, orange zest, honey. |
| 311 ★ | 2017 | Chardonnay _____ | Cantina Terlano | 44.00 | 93 | Lush pear fruit on the palate with a bit of lime rind leading to a fine, elegant finish. |
| 314 | 2017 | Pinot Grigio _____ | Schiopetto | 54.00 | 96 | Fantastic density and richness with flavors of cooked peaches, sliced apples and pears. Full-bodied, layered. |
| 308 | 2017 | Pinot Grigio _____ | Cantina Terlano | 43.00 | 92 | Balanced, light-bodied white offers a lively mix of peach, passion fruit and pink grapefruit flavors, crisp finish. |
| 317 | 2019 | Pinot Grigio _____ | Jermann | 43.00 | 92 | Tangy and rounded the ripe orchard fruits mingle together in the glass, intense flavor and finesse. |
| 305 | 2017 | Pinot Grigio _____ | Peter Zemmer | 42.00 | 95 | Lifted ripe pear and citrus aromas are echoed on the palate. Finishes clean and bright with notes of white peach. |
| 322 | 2018 | Gavi _____ | Beni Batasiolo | 40.50 | 91 | Medium body with aromas of green apples, limes and nutmeg. Bright and clear-cut finish. |
| 307 | 2018 | Gavi 'La Meirana' _____ | Villa Broglia | 44.00 | 92 | Citrus and white fruit notes persist through a palate that is smooth and nuanced. |
| 319 | 2017 | Gavi 'La Marne' _____ | Michele Chiarlo | 44.00 | 90 | The savory palate offers white peach, green apple and a hint of toasted almond. |
| 309 | 2017 | Sauvignon Blanc 'Castel Ringberg' _____ | Elena Walch | 51.00 | 95 | Plenty of honey and cream with hints of apricot and lemon. Medium to full body, long finish. |
| 312 | 2019 | Sauvignon Blanc 'Winkl' _____ | Cantina Terlano | 50.50 | 92 | Has an intense fruity bouquet with nuances of lemon, lime and peach flavors. Gentle on the palate. |
| 309a ★ | 2018 | Sauvignon Blanc 'Piere' _____ | Vie di Romans | 54.50 | 94 | Wild aromas of peaches with lemons follow through to a full body and creamy texture. |
| 321 | 2017 | Pinot Bianco _____ | Schiopetto | 47.00 | 93 | Full-bodied with aromas of sliced pears and green apples, dense fruit. Peach-pit note, too. |
| 315 | 2016 | Pinot Bianco Riserva 'Vorberg' _____ | Cantina Terlano | 63.50 | 95 | Full-bodied, very fruity with sliced apple character. The finish is long and smooth. |
| 323 | 2017 | Orvieto 'Salvino' _____ | Tenuta di Salviano | 39.50 | 92 | Juicy, rich and racy with ripe pear and green apple notes on the lush finish. |
| 316 ★ | 2015 | Soave Classico 'Calvarino' _____ | Pieropan | 52.00 | 96 | Layered and delicious, flavors of apple, pineapple and peaches. Hint of toasted almond on the finish. |
| 320 | 2019 | Gewurtztraminer _____ | Cantina Terlano | 44.00 | 93 | Delightfully fragrant and generous expression with zesty layers of passion fruit and tropical papaya flavors. |

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Rosé - sweet / dry

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| 416 ★ | 2016 | Rosa Regale _____ | Banfi | 46.00 | 92 |
| 417 ★ | | Light bodied <i>semi sweet</i> sparkling Rosé, notes of strawberries, red cherries, excellent. __ quarter bottle | | 12.00 | 92 |
| 406a | 2017 | Bigaro _____ | Elio Perrone | 43.00 | |
| | | Softly <i>sweet</i> blend of <i>Moscato</i> and <i>Brachetto</i> with delicate strawberry and raspberry touches. | | | |
| 409a | NV | Rosé _____ | Lunetta | 40.00 | 88 |
| 418 | | Fizzante <i>dry</i> Rosé, fragrant, with enticing aromas of small red berries, fresh and fruity. __ quarter bottle | | 10.50 | |
| 411 ★ | 2011 | Brut Rosé 'For England' _____ | Contratto | 58.50 | 95 |
| | | 100% old vine <i>Pinot Noir</i> light fresh strawberry, lemon-rind undertones. Full-body, caressing texture, <i>dry</i> finish. | | | |
| 415 ★ | 2017 | Rosato 'Scalabrone' _____ | Tenuta Guado al Tasso | 42.50 | 91 |
| | | From Antinori, delicious medium-bodied <i>dry</i> , peony in color, fresh, fruity, with nuances of raspberry and cherry. | | | |
| 405 | 2016 | Rosé _____ | Feudo Maccari | 39.50 | 91 |
| | | Light cherry colored <i>dry</i> wine with scents of ripe pears and cherries. Juicy on the palate with light tannins. | | | |

Sweet Sparkling

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| 410 | 2014 | Moscato d'Asti 'La Serra' _____ half bottle | Marchesi di Gresy | 23.00 | 90 |
| | | Rich, fruity, melon and apple character. Medium-bodied, lightly sweet, slightly bubbly. | | | |
| 421 | 2016 | Moscato d'Asti 'Nivole' _____ half bottle | Michele Chiarlo | 23.00 | 90 |
| | | This sweet, fragrant, lightly sparkling wine has vivid aromas and flavors of peach and apricot. | | | |
| 412 | 2015 | Moscato d'Asti _____ half bottle | Paolo Saracco | 21.50 | 93 |
| | | Bright, floral, fruity aromas of peach, pear and pineapple, a snappy finish with fruit tannins. | | | |
| 410a | 2016 | Moscato d'Asti _____ | Elio Perrone | 42.00 | 89 |
| | | The taste is pleasantly sweet and is smooth and rich with fruity sensations typical of Moscato. | | | |
| 407 ★ | 2019 | Moscato d'Asti _____ | Ruffino | 39.50 | 91 |
| | | Delicate, but not overly sweet and sparkling with intense aromas of peaches, apricots and orange blossom. | | | |

Dry Sparkling

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| 408 | NV | Prosecco Brut _____ quarter bottle | Cantine Maschio | 10.00 | 91 |
| | | Offers an edgy, fresh peach and almond scented sparkler. Bright with a light straw yellow color. | | | |
| 420 ★ | NV | Brut Blanc de Blanc _____ | Fratelli Ferrari | 47.50 | 92 |
| 419 ★ | | Hand-picked chardonnay, high altitude vines. Fresh with elegant bubbles, notes of ripe apple. __ half bottle | | 26.00 | 92 |
| 414 | NV | Prosecco _____ half bottle | Ruffino | 19.50 | 91 |
| | | A fresh, crisp sparkling wine with attractive aromas of freshly cut lemon and lime. Ideal as an aperitif. | | | |
| 411a ★ | NV | Prosecco Brut 'Rustico' _____ | Nino Franco | 44.00 | 94 |
| | | Offering crisp yellow apple, lemon drop and orange zest flavors balanced by vibrant acidity. | | | |
| 420a | NV | Prosecco Extra Dry _____ | Moletto | 37.00 | 90 |
| | | Pale straw-yellow in color, has a subtle and cleanly aromatic bouquet. Soft, fruity and lively. | | | |
| 405a | NV | Brut Cuvee Prestige _____ | Ca'Del Bosco | 58.00 | 93 |
| | | Very fine, elegant Franciacorta spumante. Big brioche flavors with a smooth, silky, honey and spice finish. | | | |
| 413 ★ | NV | Brut Sforza Classico _____ | Cesarini | 45.50 | 94 |
| | | From pure chardonnay grapes, subdued aromas and flavors of toasted walnut, yellow apple and ripe pear. | | | |

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