



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.

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.
92	2010	Barolo ‘Ciabot Mentin Ginestra’ _____	Domencio Clerico	91.50	96	Liqueur-like plum and black cherry on the nose, then fine-grained and very classy to the supple 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.
177	2010	Barolo ‘Ginestra’ _____	Paolo Conterno	105.00	97	This single-vineyard shows silky tannins with fresh strawberry and white chocolate notes. Long finesse.
49	2011	Barolo ‘Serralunga’ _____	Fontanafredda	59.00	93	Savory black currant and plum flavors pop out of the glass. Full-bodied with a noble character.
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.
95	2011	Barolo ‘Brunate’ _____	Marcarini	74.00	94	Full body, with round tannins and a flavorful red plum, dried dark cherry and chocolate finish.
32	2013	Barolo ‘Parafada’ _____	Massolino	105.00	97	Full-bodied palate shows energy, intensity, delivers ripe dark berry, cranberry and balsamic notes, refined tannins.
176 ★	2012	Barolo ‘Serralunga d’Alba’ _____	Massolino	65.50	93	Full body, round and silky tannins, flavors of raspberries and sweet red cherries float in the glass.
79 ★	2010	Barolo ‘Villero’ _____	Poderi Oddero	79.50	95	Lushly textured with spicy plum and cherry flavors. Balanced tannins on the long elegant finish.
217 ★	2012	Barolo ‘Marcenasco’ _____	Renato Ratti	63.00	94	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.
35	2011	Barolo ‘Carobric’ _____	Paolo Scavino	74.50	95	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	
27 ★				[half bottle] 31.50		Full body with flavors of plums and cherries over elegant, polished tannins. Excellent length.
64	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	315.00	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.

★ *Proprietor’s recommendation*

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.

171	2010	Barbaresco	Beni di Batasiolo	53.00	93	A ripe, juicy wine with blueberry and plum character and hints of hazelnut and blanched almonds.
223	2006	Barbaresco 'Sori Rio Sordo'	Ca'Rome	81.50	92	Medium to full-bodied, loaded with dark fruit, French oak, spices in a balanced style.
18a	2006	Barbaresco 'Maria di Brun'	Ca'Rome	87.50	93	Round and plush with red ripe fruits, silky powerful tannins with outstanding length.
39	2008	Barbaresco	Pio Cesare	82.50	93	Aromas of shaved chocolate, some nuts and red berries. Full body with depth and complexity.
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.
84a	2005	Barbaresco 'Roncaglie'	Poderi Colla	73.00	93	Soft tannins frame the wine's dark cherry and plum flavors with a floral character.
51	2007	Barbaresco 'Costa Russi'	Angelo Gaja	385.00	98	Layers of dark red fruit, minerals, flowers and spices saturate the palate as it struts its stuff.
48	2009	Barbaresco	Angelo Gaja	215.00	94	A firm, classically built wine of elegance. Tannins are woven into a mid-weight frame.
63 ★	2015	Barbaresco 'Bric Balin'	Moccagatta	77.50	97	Full-bodied with a rich palate showing vanilla, chocolate and ripe dark berries. Juicy.
98	2009	Barbaresco 'Santo Stefano Albesani'	Castello di Neive	73.50	92	Unfurls on the palate with layers of dark red cherries and sweet plums. Elegance and finesse.
234	2009	Barbaresco 'Bricco San Giuliano'	Pelissero	49.00	93	Medium-bodied, plum and strawberry flavors add complexity to the palate and the long aftertaste.
106	2007	Barbaresco 'Vigneto Nervo'	Pertinace	62.00	93	Big and rich with cherry and raspberry flavors and intense fragrances of vanilla. Velvety
221	2008	Barbaresco 'Bric Turot'	Prunotto	77.00	92	Densely packed cherry and plum fruit. Slightly austere tannins, powerful and persistent.
88a	2008	Barbaresco	Prunotto	62.00	93	Impresses for its classiness and overall balance. Aromas of sweet dried cherries, licorice.
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.
61	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.

19	2013	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
180	2011	Amarone Classico _____	Bussola	76.00	95	Thick but magically light on its feet, with luscious penetrating red fruit and very strong chocolatey flavors.
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.
182	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.
34	2009	Amarone Classico 'Terre di San Zeno' _____	Corteforte	73.00	93	Rich and smooth with raisin and dark fruit flavors. The finish is long with classic tannins.
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.
218	2006	Amarone Classico 'La Marega' _____	Le Salette	78.00	93	Full-bodied with raisiny fruit, a balanced mouthfeel just firming up slightly on finish.
167	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 _____	Tommasi	82.50	95	Rich, full, ripe fruit flavors on the palate supported by velvety tannins through to the fruit finish.
170	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.

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.
26	2012	Brunello di Montalcino _____	Gianni Brunelli	69.00	94	Vibrant medium-bodied palate offers crushed raspberry, red cherry flavors. Ripe fruit notes in the aftertaste.
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.
53	2012	Brunello di Montalcino 'Vigna di Pianrosso' Riserva _____	Ciacci Piccolomini	180.00	100	Santa Caterina d'Oro. A gorgeous wine that is smooth and full-bodied yet elegant. The savory palate delivers flavors of plum, crushed Marasca cherry, raspberry preserves. Impeccable balance while an orange zest note lifts the finish.
228	2012	Brunello di Montalcino 'Vigna di Pianrosso' _____	Ciacci Piccolomini	120.00	97	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.
21	2011	Brunello di Montalcino _____	Fattoria Casisano	70.00	93	Full body, round textured with a velvety softness and richness. Delicious 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.
233	2011	Brunello di Montalcino _____	Fossacolle	69.50	94	Offers generous cherry flavors and a mouthfeel that delivers a pretty level of softness and plushness.
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 _____	Fuligni	120.00	98	Lush with deep flavors of red cherry and raspberry, sophisticated tannins and superb length.
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.
84	2008	Brunello di Montalcino _____	Pertimali	73.00	94	Aromas and flavors of cherry, strawberry and plum with well-integrated tannins. Refined and long.
87a	2009	Brunello di Montalcino _____	Pian delle Vigne	81.00	94	By Antinori. Lots of plum and orange-peel character. It's rich and exotic. Full body, a long, long finish.
172	2012	Brunello di Montalcino _____	La Poderina	69.50	94	The palate is polished and full-bodied, with an underscoring juicy black cherry core. Refined tannins.
30	2010	Brunello di Montalcino _____	Il Poggione	105.00	98	Rich, with excellent density, ripe cherry, plum fruit and bittersweet chocolate flavors.
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.
66	2006	Brunello di Montalcino 'Martina' _____	Antonio Sasa	68.00	94	Dark red stone fruits, herbs and sage are found in a racy, ripe fruit style on the mid-weight finish.

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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

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
225	2012	Modus _____ <i>Sangiovese, Cabernet, Merlot.</i> Full-bodied. Rich with silky tannins, long finish of vanilla, red berry.	Ruffino	48.00	94
219	2013	Tignanello _____	Marchesi Antinori	120.00	97
219a	2013	<i>Sangiovese, Cabernet, Cabernet Franc.</i> Full-bodied, with soft and velvety tannins. [half bottle] Flavors have hints of ripe black plums and chocolate that carry though to a fabulous, long finish.		64.00	97
71	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
41	2013	Crognolo _____ <i>Sangiovese, Merlot.</i> Lots of currants, blueberries, and vanilla on the nose and palate. Long finish.	Tenuta Sette Ponti	54.50	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
179	2011	Sammarco _____ <i>Cabernet, Sangiovese, Merlot.</i> Dazzling bouquet, layers of rich dark fruit carry to the long finish.	Castello dei Rampolla	105.00	98
18	2010	Paleo _____ <i>Cabernet Franc.</i> Extraordinary wine from Bolgheri. Jammy fruit flavors. Already gorgeous, will develop to 2040.	Le Macchiole	130.00	98
48a	2012	Sassicaia _____ <i>Cabernet, Cabernet Franc.</i> Intense, concentrated, this wine offer's elegant complex aromas of red fruit. In the mouth it is rich, dense, yet harmonious, with sweet balanced tannins. Extraordinary.	Tenuta San Guido	210.00	99
96 ★	2015	Guidalberto _____ <i>Cabernet, Merlot.</i> From Sassicaia. Full body, extremely fine tannins, bright finish. A generous red.	Tenuta San Guido	55.00	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
173	2007	Caselferro _____ <i>Merlot.</i> Blackberry, plum flavors. Finishes seamless, pure, long, with a note of cassis.	Barone Ricasoli	73.00	94
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	115.00	98
88	2010	Piastraia _____ <i>Merlot, Syrah, Cabernet, Sangiovese.</i> Juicy fruit carries over a creamy palate with black cherry, mocha.	Michele Satta	58.50	94

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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.

101	2010	Chianti Classico Riserva 'Berardo' _____	Castello di Bossi	53.00	94	Boasts a plump and ripe quality of fruit backed by silky tannins and good structure. Long intense finish.
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.
169 ★	2015	Chianti Classico _____	Dievole	43.50	95	Medium-bodied with ripe fruit flavors, a bit precious on the palate, soft aftertaste.
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.
23	2013	Chianti Classico _____	Carpeneta Fontalpino	45.00	92	Savory palate has good concentration, offering black cherry flavors while a mint note backs up the finish.
184	2011	Chianti Classico _____	Castello di Fonterutoli	49.00	92	Plums, dark raspberries, cherries, cinnamon come together in a soft, seamless wine graced with balance.
227	2013	Chianti Rufina Riserva 'Nipozzano' _____	Marchesi de Frescobaldi	43.00	91	Berry and vanilla aromas and flavors. Medium-bodied, fine tannins, a balanced finish.
25	2012	Chianti Classico _____	Isole e Olena	45.00	92	Aromas of blueberry and chocolate character follow through to a full body with fine tannins.
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.
62	2009	Chianti Classico _____	Castello di Meleto	39.50	91	Core of ripe fruit that gives a cherry and plum character. Full and velvety with caressing texture.
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.
235	2013	Chianti Classico Riserva _____	Tenuta di Nozzole	44.00	93	Dark red cherry and plum flavors gives this its enveloping personality, offers depth and texture throughout.
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.
22 ★	2012	Chianti Classico Riserva 'Il Grigio' _____	San Felice	44.50	93	Black cherry, strawberry and vanilla flavors carry through on the bright finish.
82	2007	Chianti Classico Riserva 'Croce' _____	Terrabianca	48.00	92	Hovers on the palate with flavors of red cherries and blackberries, finishes with a touch of French oak.
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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Other red wines of Italy

50	2014	Barbera d'Asti 'Tre Vigne' _____	Vietti	40.50	91	Aromas of red and black cherry, with noteworthy finesse to the cassis flavor. Excellent length.
75	2017	Barbera d'Alba _____	Paolo Scavino	41.50	90	Juicy and friendly, it gives deep raspberry and black cherry fruit, very elegant, generous finish.
41a	2013	Valpolicella Ripasso _____	Acinum	43.50	90	Lush and juicy with at the same time quite vinous with layers of fruit, vanilla, dried berries.
20	2014	Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso _____	Speri	52.00	92	A full-bodied red that offers a pleasing array of crushed black cherry and strawberry flavors that are soft and velvety.
91a	2012	Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso 'Ripassa' _____	Zenato	47.00	93	A velvety red, offering fine tannins and a pleasing palate of plump cherry and blackberry notes.
77	2011	Rosso di Montalcino _____	Tenuta Caparzo	39.00	90	Fresh and juicy with sneaky density in the ripe raspberry and cherry pie flavors. Smooth tannins.
220 ★	2012	Vino Nobile di Montepulciano _____	Fattoria del Cerro	41.50	92	Medium-bodied with succulent dark cherry and plum flavors, discreet tannic finish.
39a	2011	Vino Nobile di Montepulciano _____	La Braccasca	46.50	91	Soft and expressive with bright red cherries that lead to subtle notes in the glass.
33	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.
51a	2009	Bradisisimo _____	Inama	49.50	93	<i>Cabernet, Carmenere</i> grapes. A Bordeaux blend. Soft, round on palate, dried cherries, cocoa, vanilla.
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 'Almerita	78.50	95	A Sicilian blend of <i>Nero d'Avola, Cabernet, Cabernet Franc</i> . Black cherry, black currant weave together seamlessly.
181 ★	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.
44	2011	Il Canapone 642 _____	La Badiola	41.50	93	Made from six grapes. Full bodied, refined tannins, flavors of black cherry and red ripe strawberries.
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.
178	2010	Therra _____	Palazzone	45.50	92	<i>Sangiovese, Montepulciano, Cabernet, Merlot</i> . Black currants, chocolate follow thru to a full body.

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White Wines of Italy

306	2015	Chardonnay _____	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 ★	2014	Chardonnay ‘Cervaro della Sala’ _____	Castella della Sala	69.00	96	A <i>Chardonnay</i> blend from Antinori. Full-bodied, round, buttery notes of vanilla, orange zest, honey.
307	2016	Gavi ‘La Meirana’ _____	Villa Broglia	43.00	90	Citrus and white fruit notes persist through a palate that is smooth and nuanced.
322	2016	Gavi ‘La Marne’ _____	Michele Chiarlo	42.50	91	The savory palate offers white peach, green apple and a hint of toasted almond.
305	2016	Pinot Grigio _____	Bottega Vinaia	42.00	91	The luminous palate offers fresh peach, Granny Smith apple, firm structure leads to a lingering finish.
301	2014	Pinot Grigio _____	Livio Felluga	48.50	90	Delicate style of Pinot Grigio with sliced pear, white fig and green apple aromas and flavors.
308 ★	2017	Pinot Grigio _____	Cantina Terlano	43.00	90	Balanced, light-bodied white offers a lively mix of peach, passion fruit and pink grapefruit flavors, crisp finish.
320	2016	Pinot Grigio _____	Elana Walch	40.50	90	Light straw yellow with fruity notes of ripe pears and lemon zest, creamy flavors lead to a clean finish.
316	2014	Pinot Bianco _____	Kettmeir	41.50	91	Fruity sensations of green apples with shades of green tea and lemongrass. Long, crisp finish.
321	2015	Pinot Bianco _____	Cantina Terlano	43.00	92	Round and supple expression of yellow fruit and pear to honey and pine nut. Creamy texture.
303	2016	Sauvignon Blanc _____	Pighin	40.50	91	Aromas of tropical fruit follow through to notes of pear and peach, touch of light vanilla on palate.
315	2017	Sauvignon Blanc ‘Winkl’ _____	Cantina Terlano	49.50	91	Complex, multi-layered bouquet of mango, papaya, lime and pink grapefruit. Harmonious taste.
301a	2012	Sauvignon Blanc ‘Conte della Vipera’ _____	Castello della Sala	50.50	91	From Antinori. Elegant and balanced with citrus fruit scents, flavors. Medium-bodied, fine length and finish.
302	2015	Fiano di Avellino ‘Radici’ _____	Mastroberardino	46.50	93	Layered and delicious, flavors of apple, pineapple and peaches. Hint of toasted almond on the finish.
304	2014	Fiano ‘Trentenare’ _____	San Salvatore	44.50	90	Tangy aromas of lemon and orange zest. Flavors of stone fruit and pear are focused and long.
317	2015	Peloro Bianco _____	Bibi Graetz Casematte	44.00	92	White blend from Sicily. Vibrant, savory palate boasts flavors of green apples, creamy white peaches, and citrus.

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Rosé - sweet / dry

416 ★	2016	Rosa Regale _____	Banfi	46.00	92
417 ★		Light bodied semi sweet sparkling Rosé, notes of strawberries, red cherries. Luscious finish.	quarter bottle	12.00	
411	2011	Brut Rosé 'For England' _____	Contratto	58.50	95
		100% old vine <i>Pinot Noir</i> with light fresh strawberry, lemon-rind undertones. Full-body, caressing texture, dry finish.			
401a	2017	Bigaro _____	Elio Perrone	43.00	
		Softly sweet blend of <i>Moscato</i> and <i>Brachetto</i> with delicate strawberry and raspberry touches.			
402	NV	Rosé _____	Lunetta	38.00	88
404		Fizzante dry Rosé, fragrant, with enticing aromas of small red berries, fresh and fruity.	quarter bottle	9.50	
415 ★	2016	Rosato 'Scalabrone' _____	Tenuta Guado al Tasso	42.50	92
		From Antinori, delicious medium-bodied dry, peony in color, fresh, fruity, with nuances of raspberry and cherry.			
323	2016	Rosé _____	Feudo Maccari	39.50	91
		Light cherry colored dry wine with scents of ripe pears and cherries. Juicy on the palate with light tannins.			

Sweet Sparkling

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.				
403	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.				
418	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.				
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.				
413	2017	Moscato d'Asti 'Cascinetta' _____	Vietti	39.50	92	
		Delicately sweet and sparkling with intense aromas of peaches, apricots and ginger.				

Dry Sparkling

420	2005	Cuvee Annamaria Clementi Franciacorta Riserva _____	Ca del Bosco	96.50	94	
		<i>Chardonnay, Pinot Bianco, Pinot Noir</i> . A champagne blend. Bouquet of candied lemon, Golden Delicious apple.				
422	NV	Prosecco Extra Dry _____	Moletto	37.00	90	
		Pale straw-yellow in color, has a subtle and cleanly aromatic bouquet. Soft, fruity and lively.				
405	2008	Perle _____	Fratelli Ferrari	56.00	93	
		Full body with lots of fruit but fresh, crisp and exciting. Shows depth in flavor, long finish.				
419 ★	NV	Prosecco di Conegliano _____	quarter bottle	Casa Vinicola Canella	14.00	88
		A bubbly, full of honeyed pear, cream notes and citrus fruit.				
406 ★	NV	Prosecco di Conegliano Brut _____	Zardetto	38.50	89	
407 ★		Light and crisp with gentle aromas and flavors of fresh fruits.	quarter bottle	13.00		
408 ★	2012	Prosecco di Valdobbiadene 'Primo Franco' _____	Nino Franco	51.00	92	
		Cream-textured expression of ripe peaches and mint in a medium-bodied rich style.				

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