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BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO RISERVA DOCG

WINESCRITIC.COM 

2019

98/100

RAFFAELE VECCHIONE

Direct and bold, it shows a beautiful sensorial progression made of magnolias, hawthorn, gardenias, jasmine, acacia, raspberries, currants, green mandarins and bergamot. Medium-full body, perfectly ripe tannins of velvety quality and a dynamic and fun finish that is decidedly modern and essential. Author's style and precision of execution. Better from 2027.

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falstaff

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OTHMAR KIEM, SIMON STAFFLER

Bright ruby red with a brilliant core. Exciting and inviting aromas of violets, cherries, plums, a hint of liquorice, cold smoke, yeast and a touch of oak. Vibrant on the palate, with grippy, juicy tannins, a fine iron nerve and a long, lingering, salty finish.

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Robert Parker
WINE ADVOCATE

2019

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MONICA LARNER

In the bottle with the white artist label, the Castello Romitorio 2019 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva offers more intensity and barbecue smoke, especially, but the fruit integration is just as seamless as the other wines in this flight. Along with dark fruit, you get spice, toasted almond, grilled herb and blue flower. It boasts sweet tannins and a soft, texturally rich finish. Only 6,306 bottles were created.

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Decanter

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MICHAELA MORRIS

A selection of bunches from the estate's oldest vineyards planted in 1987, the 2020 Riserva impresses with its stunning bouquet and graceful architecture. It is easy to get lost in its heady perfumes of pressed violet and lilac potpourri, sweet earth and sandalwood. Smooth and finely textured, though not without backbone, it flows effortlessly, meting out flavours of wild strawberry, dark cherry and nutmeg. Pristine and lithe, it seduces with elegance rather than ensnaring with brawn.

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vinous

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ERIC GUIDO

The 2019 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva is to die for. Seamless and silken in feel, it has a classic profile of dried strawberry, dusty rose, cedar shavings, clove and hints of Tuscan dust. The 2019 has a core of juicy acidity that enhances its ripe wild berry scents as nuances of sour citrus add complexity under an air of violet inner florals. This tapers off licorice-tinged and perfumed, with remarkable length, fine-grained tannins and a pleasantly bitter sensation that calls the taster back to the glass for more.

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VANESSA CONLIN

The 2019 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva has lavender sachet, vanilla liqueur, and macerated blueberries exuding from the glass. Sugared blackberries on the palate are framed with seamless tannins and graceful acid. It's a very elegant wine with a glossy long finish.

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Wine Spectator

2019

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BRUCE SANDERSON

Though perhaps not as intense or showy as some 2019 riservas, this red is harmonious and elegant. Cherry, strawberry, earth, wild herb and flinty, mineral flavors hold court as this evolves across the palate, leaving earth, iron and savory accents on the lingering finish. Decant now, or wait a few more years. Best from 2027 through 2045. 520 cases made, 55 cases imported.

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IAN D'AGATA WINE REVIEW

2019

93+/100

IAN D'AGATA

Bright ruby-red. Floral, scented nose and supple, spicy midweight flavours of raspberry, flint, licorice and ink. Nicely seamless and juicy and delicately tannic right now, with the red and dark fruit flavours somewhat youthfully muted presently. Finishes with a light dusting of tannins and decent length, with a bitter herb nuance. Drinking window: 2031-2040

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2016

97/100

ERIC GUIDO

The 2016 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva lifts up with elegance and richness, as sweet lavender and violets give way to a more savory display of black cherries, Tuscan dust and cedar box with hints of cooling mint. This rushes the palate with sweet red fruits and spices, silky yet lifted, and displaying a delicacy not expected from the Riserva category, yet quite welcome. Beneath is a core of power and density just waiting to unfold. Minerality comes through in the finale, mingling with a fine coating of tannin and hints of spicy citrus. This harmonious Brunello will have a very long life. The Riserva is a selection of two Brunello barrels, one tonneau and one large cask, from Romitorio's cellar. Simply stunning.

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Robert Parker
WINE ADVOCATE

2016

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MONICA LARNER

The 2016 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva (with 6,300 bottles made) works beautifully to produce a lasting sense of harmony that reflects the best qualities of this classic vintage. Part of that playlist is power, and indeed this wine registers 15% alcohol, which is high, but the freshness of these vineyard sites and the wine's acidity does a good job of mitigating that power. The fruit is polished and refined in this Riserva, and there is a pretty mix of both primary and even some distant tertiary character to shape a bouquet that is pure but also complex. Drink date: 2023 - 2045

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Wine Spectator

2016

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BRUCE SANDERSON

This red is succulent and bursting with vibrant cherry, strawberry, floral and mineral aromas and flavors. Firm and lean, with terrific intensity and a long, tangy aftertaste. Harmonious enough to enjoy now, yet it should reach its peak in three to five years. Best from 2025 through 2042. 525 cases made, 200 cases imported.

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Wine Spectator

2015

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BRUCE SANDERSON

This stunning red exudes bright cherry, blackberry, plum, iron and tobacco aromas and flavors, all knit together almost seamlessly, with vibrant acidity and refined tannins. Shows a combination of power and grace, with a long fruit and savory aftertaste. Best from 2023 through 2047. 620 cases made, 150 cases imported.

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JAMES SUCKLING.COM 

2015

96/100

A tight, focused red with blackberry, black-cherry and walnut aromas and flavors. Full-bodied with juicy tannins and a long, flavorful finish. Creamy and focused. This is still very structured and powerful. Give it two or three years to open.

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Robert Parker
WINE ADVOCATE

2015

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MONICA LARNER

Showing richness, dark fruit, bold cherry and blackberry, the Castello Romitorio 2015 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva (with exactly 7,456 bottles made) embraces the exuberant character of the vintage, its warmth and its sunshine. If you seek a time capsule of 2015, I suggest that you put this bottle somewhere safe. The tannins are polished and chiseled, and at its core the wine is overflowing with blackberry preserves, cherry confit and plum. Drink date: 2024 - 2045.

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2015

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ERIC GUIDO

The 2015 Castello Romitorio Brunello di Montalcino Riserva is youthfully restrained yet also surprisingly feminine, leading off with a dusting of cedar and white smoke, as nuances of strawberry, rose and violet perfumes come forward. It's silky and undeniably elegant, seeming to coat the palate in a polished display of red and black berries, liquid florals and minerals which slowly saturate adding a tactile feel. A complex web of tannins wrap the senses up tightly, leaving sweet inner herbal tones and savory spices to linger. This is like a whisper rather than a shout, yet it has so much to say. In forty years, only nine vintages of Riserva have ever been made at Romitorio, and the 2015 is sure to rank amongst the best of them.

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