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ROMITORIO
TOSCANA IGT

Wine Spectator

2022

94/100

BRUCE SANDERSON

Blackberry, boysenberry, bacon fat and violet aromas and flavors highlight this supple red. Beautifully integrated, with polished tannins and lively acidity driving the fruit-stained aftertaste. Syrah and Petit Verdot. Best from 2026 through 2038. Tasted twice, with consistent notes. 4,160 cases made, 2,600 cases imported.

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Robert Parker WINE ADVOCATE

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MONICA LARNER

This is a blockbuster 50–50 blend of Syrah and Petit Verdot vinified in stainless steel tanks and concrete. The grapes for Castello Romitorio's 2022 Romitorio come from the Scansano area but are processed at the Montalcino winery, making for a creative Bordeaux-meets-Rhône experiment set in Tuscany. The wine shows vinous richness with layers of black fruit and a smoky nuance that recalls the wild hills of the Maremma, while notes of cracked white pepper, garrigue and juniper berry lend a distinctly aromatic profile. First produced in 2008, this bottling delivers racy freshness alongside lingering tannins, with a production of 37,000 bottles.

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falstaff **2021**

93/100

OTHMAR KIEM, SIMON STAFFLER

Rich, bright ruby red in colour. Ripe plum and blackberry aromas on the nose, with slightly spicy notes in the background. The palate is juicy, with well-integrated tannins and a long finish.

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A fresh and crunchy red with dark cherries, currants, crushed flowers and a little bit of chocolate. Medium- to full-bodied. So lively and bright with textured, chalky tannins. Attractive juiciness with cherries and red spice undertones. Mineral and savory with some salinity at the end. Drink or hold.

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MONICA LARNER

This wine has seen several name changes (from Il Toro to RomiTòro and now Romitorio). The Castello Romitorio 2021 Romitorio is a hearty, full-bodied red blend with the muscle and power to mimic the beautiful Sandro Chia drawing of a raging bull on the front label. Fundamentally, this wine shows an all-Maremma spirit with rich concentration, big fruit weight and a whole range of savory and black fruit aromas. This wine is a delight to drink; it has a soft texture and is just raring to go straight out of the gate. This is one of Italy's ultimate value wines.

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vinous 2021

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ERIC GUIDO

A dark blend of wild herbs, crushed ashen stones, licorice and black cherry waft up from the 2021 Romitorio. Silky yet sleek, this combines juicy acidity with orange-tinged wild berry fruit to create a sense of boundless energy. It finishes remarkably fresh yet still long and staining as salted licorice fades beneath an air of inner violet florals. The 2021 Romitorio is a wonderfully balanced and high-energy Syrah and Petit Verdot blend.

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BRUCE SANDERSON

Laced with blackberry, black currant and violet aromas and flavors, this succulent red is solidly built and well-integrated. Picks up spices and mineral elements on the long fresh finish. Syrah and Petit Verdot. Drink now through 2028. 6460 cases made. 3340 cases imported.

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Strawberries, red cherries, bark, walnuts, cedar and chocolate orange on the nose with hints of truffle. Medium-bodied with firm, chalky tannins. Focused and flavorful. Better from 2022.

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2020

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MONICA LARNER

The 2020 RomiTòro is a blend of Petit Verdot and Syrah, and it does a terrific job of capturing the exuberance and jovial qualities of sunny Tuscany. The wine shows layers of candied cherries, crème de cassis, sweet almond paste and even a touch of crushed mineral or aspirin. This 70,000-bottle release is creamy and rich in texture, with lots of plump primary flavors and absolutely no rough edges.

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vinous 2020

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ERIC GUIDO

The 2020 Romitoro is packed full of balanced pleasure. It's dark yet also rich and spicy, with blue-toned florals giving way to currants, worn leather and smoke. This is elegant and plush on the palate, with masses of tart wildberries energized by zesty acidity while giving way to inner rose perfumes. The 2020 finishes with amazing length and potency, as it leaves a staining of liquid lavender and sweet violets. The Romitoro, a blend of Petit Verdot and Syrah, is showing beautifully today.

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2019

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Plums and blackberries with black-mushroom and dark bark undertones. Full-bodied with round tannins and a delicious, juicy finish. This needs time to come together, but already so pretty. Drink or hold.

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2019

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MONICA LARNER

The Castello Romitorio 2019 RomiTòro is a generous Tuscan blend of Petit Verdot and Syrah (with exactly 72,868 bottles produced). This is a terrific value from a vintage that delivers excellent balance, intensity and richness. That beautiful concentration is what drives this wine, imparting dark fruit flavors, plum, spice and sweet tobacco along the way. This was a terrific vintage in both Maremma and Montalcino, the two areas where Filippo Chia makes wine.

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2018

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Cherries and blackberries with some floral and walnut character. Medium-bodied with firm, silky tannins and a delicious finish. Easy to appreciate the polish and finesse to this. Give it a year or two to come together. Try after 2021.

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2018

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MONICA LARNER

The previous vintage of this wine carried the name Il Toro, but the wine has been renamed with this vintage. In archaic Italian, the name RomiTorò translates as Romitorio. The Castello Romitorio 2018 RomiTòro is made with equal parts Syrah and Petit Verdot, all aged in oak for 10 months. This edition opens to an inky dark appearance followed by a thick and succulent texture. It offers a certain firmness to the tannins and a thinner spot on the mid-palate that thickens quickly as the wine hits the palate. Dark plum, prune and blackberry emerge at the top. Lighter notes of spice, smoke and tar also appear. Pair this wine with your favorite steak dinner. Some 44,437 bottles were made. The wine was bottled in December 2019 and hits the market in February 2020. RomiTòro is one of the great value wines to emerge from Tuscany.

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2018

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The 2018 Romitorio Toscana is fresh and lifted on the nose – unexpectedly so, showing smoky cherry and citrus-tinged blackberry with savory herbs. On the palate, silky textures contrast spicy raspberry fruit, as saline-minerals and zesty acids add grip under an air of inner violet florals. The finish is long, showing saturating red berry tones and hints of youthful tannin. This blend of Syrah and Petit Verdot is already rocking, yet a few years of cellaring should reveal even further depths.

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2017

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ERIC GUIDO

The 2017 Romitoro Toscana is very easy to like from the get-go, showing lifted dried florals, dusty earth, peppery herbs and spice before giving way to notes of plum, blackberry, licorice and crushed stone. On the palate, soft textures flood the senses, verging almost on creamy, yet kept in check by zesty acids, as tart black fruits cascade across the senses, leaving a coating of minerals and the slightest hint of tannin. The finish is long and vibrant, with tantalizing acids making the mouth water, in a savory yet juicy expression that's already showing beautifully

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2016

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MONICA LARNER

A blend of Petit Verdot and Syrah, the 2016 Il Toro is a muscular animal that boldly exposes dark fruit, blackberry preserves, dried cherry, spice, leather and spicy cedar. The blend is unique because it pairs the volume and spicy intensity of Syrah with the density, darkness and structure of Petit Verdot. Softer aromas of sweet fruit cede quickly to tar, grilled herb and rich plum. Pair this wine with grilled T-bone steak. This is a bold and expressive wine that opens a new chapter for Filippo Chia and his talented team.

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2016

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The pure lavender and violet aromas are very attractive here, as are the spice and herb undertones. Medium body, fine and medium-chewy tannins and an undergrowth-laden finish. Drink now or hold

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2015

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A polished, sophisticated version, boasting violet, black currant, blackberry, graphite and toasty oak aromas and flavors. Impeccably balanced and approachable now, yet should develop for a decade or more. Petit Verdot and Syrah. Best from 2021 through 2035. 2,500 cases made, 500 cases imported.

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2015

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Aromas of black cherries and blue berries with flowers and hot stones. Full body, tight and focused tannins and a long, flavorful finish. Drink now.

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