Our Enomatic Machine

Enjoy a 3- ounce or 5-ounce glass of wine selected from our cellar. The enomatic machine preserves the wine at a perfect temperature for up to 30 days, allowing us to open up something a little extra special for you to taste.

Salute!

2017 Langhe Nebbiolo, Olivero Mario Piemonte, Italy

Ruby red with orange highlights. Cherry and violet notes on the nose. Fine, spicy, overtones.

2016 Montepulciano, Marina Cvetic

Tuscany, Italy

Deep and dark, with lifted seductive aromas of red fruit and spice. Powerful black fruits.

2014 Chianti Classico Riserva, Casa Sola Tuscany, Italy

Notes of ripe red fruits, cocoa, blackberry and small notes of strawberry and redcurrant.

2015 'Cosatasera' Amarone Classico, Masi Veneto, Italy

Deep purple, ruby colour. Rich, ripe, dark fruit aromas and flavours with hints of licorice and toast.

Wines by the Glass

Vino Bianco

2019 Pinot Grigio, Ruffino Lumina, Veneto, Italy

2019 Frascati Superiore, Casale Marchese, Lazio, Italy

2017 Riesling, Casa Dea, Prince Edward County, Canada

2019 Sauvignon Blanc, Te Mania, New Zealand

2019 Chardonnay, Bogle, California

Vino Rosso

2018 Valpolicella, Luigi Righetti, Veneto, Italy

2018 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo, Murelle, Abruzzo, Italy

2018 Malbec, Andeluna Cellars, Mendoza, Argentina

2015 Ciro, Tenuta del Conte, Calabria, Italy

2019 Pinot Noir, Racine, IGP Pays d'Oc, France

2016 Chianti Rufina, Colognole, Tuscany, Italy

2018 Ripasso Campolieti, Luigi Righetti, Veneto, Italy

2018 Primotivo, Feudi di San Gregorio, Manduria, Italy

2016 Cabernet Sauvignon, Carmenet, California

2015 Amarone 'Coastacera' Classico, Masi, Veneto, Italy

Rosé, Sparkling and Dessert Wine

White Zinfandel, Ernest & Gallo, USA

2018 Pietra Majella Rosé, Cantina Miglianico, Abruzzo, Italy

Prosecco, Ruffino, Veneto, Italy

Icewine, Canada

House Wine ~Vino della Casa

Masi Modello delle Venezie Bianco, Masi, Veneto, Italy

Masi Modello delle Venezie Rosso, Masi, Veneto, Italy

Champagne / Franciacorta / Sparkling Wine

Asti Spumante, Piemonte, Italy

Ruffino Lumina Prosecco, Veneto, Italy

Franciacorta Brut, Majolini, Lambardia, Italy

Veuve Cliquot, Champagne, France

Moet & Chandon, Champagne, France

2002 Moet & Chandon, Champagne, France

2002 **Dom Perignon**, *Champagne*, France

2005 Cristal Roederer, Champagne, France

1993 **Dom Perignon Rosé Brut**, *Champagne*, France

Dessert Wines

2013 Riesling Late Harvest, Pilliteri, Niagara, Canada 375 ml

Aromatics rooted in tropical fruits. Floral complexity in the form of honeysuckle.

2012 Pondview, Niagara, Canada 375 ml

Creamy, smooth mouthfeel with a slightly pale golden colour.

2002 I Capitelli, Anselmi, Veneto, Italy 375 ml

Candy-apple and crème caramel aromas with a subtle smoky note. F-bodied and quite sweet.

2013 Vidal Ice Wine, Pillitteri, Niagara, Canada 375 ml

Fantastic floral aromas, honey, candied orange peel, peach & apricot. Balanced acidity.

2000 Vin Santo, Isole E Olena, Tuscany, Italy 375 ml

4/5 stars. Intense flavours of hazelnuts, fresh ground coffee and raisons.

1989 Tokaji Aszu 6 Puttonyos, Oremus, Hungary 375 ml

Exciting and complex, showing mandarin orange, crème brûlée and spice notes.

2003 **Sauternes**, Château d'Yquem, *Graves*, France **375 ml**

98 pts! Subtle with lemon rind, vanilla cream and dried pineapple. Very spicy and intense.

World Whites 750ml

2017 Riesling, Casa Dea, Prince Edward County, Canada

Bright and lively with a bit of floral undertones. Noticeable levels of acidity and zest.

2019 Sauvignon Blanc, Vina Chocalan, Chile

Fresh, crisp, and clean. Zesty flavours of passionfruit. Subtle hints of green herbs.

2020 Sauvignon Blanc, Oyster Bay, New Zealand

Gooseberry, grass, asparagus. Intense and lively with crisp acidity. Finish is lingering.

2019 **Sauvignon Blanc,** Te Mania, New Zealand

Citrus, gooseberry, green apple, and fresh herbs. Delicious and vibrant.

2019 **Chardonnay**, *Bogle*, California

Green apple, pear, honeycomb, and vanilla aromas.

2017 Chablis 1er Cru Fourchaume, Francine & Olivier Savary, Burgundy, France

Crisp apple, citrus blossom, lime zest. Bright, with brisk, saline finish.

2015 Chardonnay, Chateau Montelena, Napa Valley, California

Soft with candied lemon, white flowers, and mint.

White Wine, Italy 750ml

2018 **Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi**, Fazi-Battaglia, Marche

Clean with mild pear, citrus, and mineral aromas and flavour.

2019 **Pinot Grigio,** Ruffino Lumina, Veneto

Aromas of fresh-cut lemon, gooseberry and a touch of herbs. Vibrant and fresh.

2018 Pinot Grigio/Verduzzo 'Masianco', Masi, Veneto

Filled with notes of citrus, tropical fruit layered with flowers.

2019 Pinot Grigio, Luigi Righetti, Veneto

Luigi delivers a classic Pinot. Dry and light with citrus tones.

2019 Frascati Superiore, Casale Marchese, Lazio, Italy

Tropical fruit with floral and herbal nuances. Melon, almond, acacia flower, apples and citrus.

2018 Abruzzo Pecorino, Masciarelli, Abruzzo, Italy

Extreme freshness and crispness. Perfect for aperitifs. Refreshing in the summer.

2018 Pinot Grigio, Santa Margherita, Alto Adige

Fresh green apple, gentle peach and citrus aromas and flavours.

2019 Ribolla Gialla 'RjGialla', La Tunella, Fruili

Palate has notes of green apple with undertones of minerality.

2016 'Vigna della Permuta' Ronco del Gelso, Malvasia, Fruili

Marine sensations on the nose, notes of star anise and ripe fruit with spiciness.

2016 Sauvignon 'Ronco del Cero', Venica E Venica, Fruili

Spicy scents of sage, anisette, box wood, fig leaves with a long finish.

1/2 Bottle Red Wine 375ml

Chateauneuf-Du-Pape, *Beaucastel*, Rhone, France 93 pts R.P. Big, sweet nose with truffles, tree bark, fresh mushrooms, blackberry.

Tiganello, *Antinori*, Tuscany, Italy Sangiovese/Cab Sauv/Cab Franc 2001 – 91 pts WS. Blackberry, coffee, and olive aromas. Full-bodied with velvety tannins. 2004 – Powerful, rich, and spicy. Sangiovese, cabernet sauvignon, and cabernet franc.

1997 Giuseppe Quinterelli Recioto della Valpolicella Classico, *Veneto*, Italy 55% Corvina & Corvinone, 30% Rondinella, 15% Cabernet, Nebbiolo, Croatina & Sangiovese.

Large Formats

Campofiorin (50th Anniversary), *Masi*, Veneto, Italy **1.5 Litres** Scents of iris, blackberry and nutmeg. Blend of Corvina, Rondinella and Molinara.

Trius Red, *Niagara Penninsula*, Canada **1.5 Litres**Cab Sauv, Cab Franc, Merlot. Aged 12 months in American and French oak. Notes of cedar.

Cabernet Sauvignon, *Waterstone*, Napa Valley, U.S.A. **1.5 Litres** Deep, rich, and lingering. Firm with integrated tannins and aromas of currant, and black cherry.

Cabernet Sauvignon, *Lakeview Cellars*, Niagara, Canada **3 Litres** Full bodied wine, with rich fruit flavours and firm tannins that can be cellared for many years.

Masi Serego Aligheri Valpolicella, Veneto, Italy **1.5 Litres**Notes of currants, black cherry, blackberry. Nuances of yellow peach, floral bouquet of violet.

Nippozzano Vecchie Viti Riserva, *Frescobaldi*, Tuscany, Italy **1.5 Litres** Intense ruby red. bouquet of floral bergamot and orange balanced with coffee powder.

Poggio Bestiale, *Fattoria di Magliano*, Tuscany, Italy **1.5 Litres** Blackberry jam, hints of dried fruitcake. F-bodied, chew tannins & licorice, blackberry.

Amarone 'Costasera' Riserva, *Masi*, Veneto, Italy **1.5 Litres** Ripe dried fruit, plum, prune, dark chocolate, vanilla, white pepper, licorice on the nose and palate.

2015 'Capitel de Roari' Amarone, *Luigi Righetti*, Veneto, Italy 3 Litres Aromas of black cherry and prunes joined by beefy and earthy aromas, dark fruit flavours

2011 'Sassello' Gran Selezione, Castello di Verrazzano, Tuscany, Italy 1.5 Litres Ripe plum, fragrant blue flower, Mediterranean herb, espresso, licorice and black pepper.

Large Formats (continued)

Family Reserve, Pillitteri Family Estates, Niagara, Canada

1999 - Merlot. Peppercorn, cinnamon, nutmeg and cloves. Full-bodied. 3 Litres

2016 - Merlot-Cabernet Sauvignon. Peppercorn, juniper, black fruit, earth tones. 5 Litres

Zenato Ripassa Valpolicella Superiore, Veneto, Italy 3 Litres

2006 - Deep ruby-red in color with a complex nose of dried fruit and licorice.

2015 - Intense flavours of blackberry jam, cocoa, blueberries, and raison.

2013 Barolo Parussi, Deltetto, Piemonte, Italy 1.5 Litres

Dark chocolate, cherry, raspberry, leather, and earthy notes. Young, bold, and tannic.

1997 Chianti Classico Riserva 'Badia a Passignano', Antinori, Tuscany, Italy 1.5L

Wild cherry, plum, and tobacco. Silky, and savory with minerality and freshness.

2009 **Diadema**, *Diadema*, Tuscany **1.5 Litres**

Wild red berries, spices, and chocolate roasted coffee. Massive elegant tannins.

2000 Luce, Frescobaldi/Mondavi, Tuscany, Italy 1.5 Litres

Well-crafted. Bright fruit, with perfume, berry, currant, and hints of mineral. Full bodied.

1997 Poggio Brandi, Fattoria Baggiolino, Tuscany, Italy 1.5 Litres

90 in WS. Juicy with aromas of raw meat, ripe fruit and bay leaf. Full-bodied with chewy tannins.

2000 Barolo Le Vigne, Luciano Sandrone, Piemonte, Italy 1.5 Litres

Cherry pie, mushroom, sandal wood and tobacco. Long complex finish.

2000 Barolo Cannubi, Luciano Sandrone, Piemonte, Italy 1.5 Litres

97 points in WS. Very rich and open with nose of berries and meat. Rich on the palate.

Sassicaia, Teunta San Guido, Tuscany, Italy

1996-92 in WS. Full-bodied. Aromas of spices, black currants, cherries and blackberries. 3 L

2001 - 94 WS. Red fruit aromas. Full-bodied, sleek with refined tannins. **1.5** L

1999 Sori San Lorenco, Gaja, Tuscany, Italy 1.5 Litres

Meaty, earthy aromas. Fresh truffles & porcini. Almost port-like in the end. Full-bodied.

2005 Amarone 'Costacera' Classico, Masi, Veneto, Italy, 6 Litres

Very spicy, with aromas of black cherry jam, licorice, coffee, black olive, tobacco and plum.

1997 Schidione il Millennio, Jacopo Biondi Santi, Tuscany, Italy 1.5 Litres

Blend of sangiovese, merlot, and cabernet sauvignon. Full bodied with velvety tannins.

Piemonte

2018 Barbera d'Alba, Fenocchio

Aromas of plum, black licorice, hints of cedar. Palate is dry with good acidity.

2017 Langhe Nebbiolo, Olivero

Ruby red with orange highlights. Cherry and violet notes on the nose. Fine, spicy, overtones.

Sito Moresco (Merlot, Nebbiolo, Cab Sauv), Gaja

2006 - An elegant, balanced, age worthy wine. Enjoy now with mature cheeses.

2010 - Aromas of small fruits, elegant balance and a fresh finish with fine tannins.

2017 - Notes of cherry, blackberry, raspberry, oak, and leather. Medium acidity, earthy finish.

1999 Barolo 'Ca'Mia', Brovia

94 pts. Highly expressive aromas of strawberry, smoke, and game. Finishes with smooth tannins.

1999 Barolo 'Vigneto Rocche', Corino

Aromas of fruit, dried flowers, hint of spice. F-bodied, big round tannins, long, succulent finish.

1998 Barolo Villero, Giocomo Fenocchio

Hints of tobacco, and sweet anise. Medium bodied, tannic with good concentration of fruit.

2010 Brico Delle Viole Barolo, Casina Bric 460

'460' referring to the altitude above sea level. Cherry, red currant, high acidity. Tannic palate.

1999 Barolo 'Monfalletto', Cordero Di Montezemolo

Fruit-led nose introduces an approachable palate with a hint of flowers in a whistle-clean finish.

2001 Barolo Cannubi, Michele Chiarlo

Very pruny, dried flowers on the nose, palate. F-bodied, chewy, meaty, decadent flavour profile.

Barolo Riserva, Marchesi di Barolo

1988 – Tar and anise on the palate, extending into a solid finish that tastes of mint.

1990 – Solid palate of rich, dry cherry flavours and some mineral accents. Ripe tannins.

Piemonte (continued)

1998 Barolo San Stefano di Perno, Giovanni Manzone

91 in WS. Medium-bodied, offering lots of vibrant fruit on the palate and a long, long, finish.

1999 Barolo Conco, Revello

3 Glasses!! Warm ripe notes of fig jam. Palate is dense and flavoursome, with a long, tangy finish.

1999 Barolo Le Vigne, Sandrone

Superb! 3 Glasses. Nose of cocoa powder, full, juicy palate ending solid finish of gorgeous ripe fruit.

Barbaresco 'Il Bricco', Pio Cesare

1995 – 93 in WS. Traditional in style, it turns silky smooth and ripe on the palate. Full bodied.

1999 – 93 in WS. Ripe fruit, plum, berry, vanilla character. F-bodied with firm, silky tannins.

Barolo, Pio Cesare

1990 – Aromatic and generous, a broad-textured red from a great vintage.

1999 - 90 in WS. Another great wine in a string of exceptional vintages.

Barolo 'Ornato', Pio Cesare (some signed by Pio Boffa)

1988 – 92 in WS. Very limited, extremely rare. This single vintage is by far Pio Cesare's best!

1999 – Plum with flowers and leather. F-bodied with velvety tannins and soft-textured.

2005 – 95 pts! Sweet strawberry pie aromas, hints of plum, flowers. F-bodied.

1997 Barolo Ginestra Riserva, Paolo Conterno

Aromas prunes, coffee, dried flowers. F-bodied, chewy. Concentrated and tight. Big and bruising red.

Barolo Bussia Riserva, Fenocchio

1978 - What well aged Barolo becomes. Plenty of bright red of fruit on the palate, with noticeable mushroom

1995 - Dry, leathery, with a mouth watering, mushroom palate. A nice hint of Oak, with a long finish.

2011 – Crushed berry, tobacco, leather, clove, and a balsamic note. Licorice, peppercorn, velvety tannins.

1994 **Barolo Sperss,** Gaja

Drinking great now! Well made in the "new wave" style, showing black fruit and supple tannins

Veneto

2019 Valpolicella Classico 'Bonacosta', Masi

Lively ripe cherries, light to medium bodied, great with classic tomato dishes

2016 Valpolicella Ripasso, Enzo Vincenzo

Medium bodied. Dark cherry jam, plum and spice with earth and violet tones. Tangy spring cherry.

2018 Valpolicella Superiore Ripasso 'Mara', Cesari

Soft, velvety character. Full bodied, mellow taste. Aged in oak casks for 6-12 months.

2017 Campofiorin, Masi

Red berry fruit, cherries, and spice. Palate is extra-dry, full bodied.

2017 Cabernet Sauvignon 'Sognum' Luigi Righetti

Full-bodied, ruby in colour with ripe fruit aromas. Ripe fruit with a soft and well-balanced finish.

2015 Campofiorin Brolo Oro, Masi

Cherry preserves and vanilla, approachably bold, smooth drinking.

2016 Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso, Zenato

Aromas of black plum, chocolate, cedar, earth. Dry, fleshy with good fruit surrounded by chalky tannins.

2018 Valpolicella Superiore Ripasso 'Monile', Salvalai

Intense raisin and smoke aromas matched by lingering fruit characters and soft tannins.

2016 Valsaia, Luigi Righetti (Corvina, Sangiovese, C.S)

Pretty, with jammy berry & vanilla. Fine tannins, smooth fruity finish. Grapes dries Amarone style

2016 Ripasso Valpolicella GASO, San Rustico

Black fruits, spices, mocha on integrated oak. Dense, velvety, fine tannins. Ripe fruit, long finish.

2016 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Luigi Righetti

Dried fruit, black cherry, sweet spices, a hint of anise. Good acidity, long, smooth finish.

2014 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Cesari

Easy drinking Amarone in a lighter style. Aromas and flavours of raisins and pruny cherry fruit.

2015 'Costasera' Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Masi

Deep purple, ruby colour. Rich, ripe, dark fruit aromas and flavours with hints of licorice and toast.

2015 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Salvalai

Modern extracted style in a big, round, warm wine. Full-boded, reminiscent of plum, figs and almonds.

Veneto (continued)

2014 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Zenato

94 points WS. Black licorice and blueberry lead to a full body. Juicy, round tannins. Luscious!

2006 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Villa Monteleone

Dark berry and raison aromas, hints of cocoa, cardamom, violets. Palate is rich full.

2012 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 'Gaso', San Rustico

Lightly spicy with sensation of almonds and cherries. Warm and full bodied, velvety finish.

2001 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, L'Arco di Barichello & Fedrigo

Very intense even for an Amarone. It should be reserved for drinking alongside roast veal or game.

2013 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva 'Coastasera', Masi

Smoky and juicy with cedar, underbrush, black cherry, spice cake, espresso flavours.

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 'Vaio Amaron', Serego Aligheri-Masi

2000 – Equally brilliant as the '00. One whiff is all it takes to draw you in.

2003 - 2 glass award from Gambero Rosso! Classic, traditional style

Fratta (Cab Sauvignon/Merlot), Maculan

2000 - 90 WS Big and jammy, with velvety and soft texture. F-bodied, lots of fruit, delicious.

2003 – 91 WS Black fruit, toasted oak, clean minerals. F-bodied, well-integrated fruit.

1998 La Poja, Allegrini

93 in WS. Corvina grape. Lots of raison, tobacco, toasted oak, on the nose. Full-bodied.

1996 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Villa Spinosa

Mix of power and complexity, from spicy earthy aromas to ripe, deep cherry flavours.

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Allegrini

1999 –93 in WS. Awesome producer. 3 Glasses!! Gambero Rosso.

2000 - Well-structured, complex, elegant, and velvety. Warm and spicy bouquet.

2001-93 pts. Dried black fruit, smooth oak note. F-bodied, fine tannins, elegant fruity finish.

2000 Amarone della Valpolicella, Corte Sant'Alda

Rich in personality and structure. Pronounced flavours of raisons, sun dried tomatoes.

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Masi

1993-Bouquet is rich, vinous and ripe cherry and similar mouth. Balanced tannins, complex.

1995 – Warm, ripe and chocolatey nose. Fruit is rounded and mouth-filling, soft tannins.

1997 — Prunes, figs, dried cherries, chocolate, brandy, vanilla. Nicely integrated tannins.

Veneto (continued)

2005 Valpolicella Superiore 'Dal Forno Romano, L'Arco di Barichello & Fedrigo

95 pts. R.P. made from 100% dried fruit, firm sturdy tannins frame blackberries, blueberries, violets.

2003 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Riserva, Zenato

91 pts. Nutty, floral nose. Black fruit, violet, fresh herbs notes. Dried fruit, fine, firm tannins.

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 'Mazzano', Masi

2001 - 3 years in oak, 6 months in bottle. Bouquet of violets, vanilla, plums, and candied fruit.

2003 – Bouquet of cinnamon, violets, plums, candied fruit and spices. Full-bodied palate.

1997 Valpolicella Classico Superiore, Quintarelli

One of Italy's greatest winemakers. Drinking beautifully now.

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico 'Campolongo di Torbe', Masi

1997 – Rich aromas of raisins, dried figs, spice and minerals. Full-bodied.

2000 – 3 glasses! Extremely subtle, gradually developing flavour that slowly gathers momentum.

2001 - 2 glasses! Nose of raisin, cherry, dates, and some nice floral notes.

2003 – Aromas and flavours of baked cherries, dried plums, blackberries, vanilla sweet spices.

Rosso Del Bepi, Quintarelli

1996 – 3 glasses! Velvet smooth, richly styled palate. Combines alcohol, tannin, acidity perfectly

1999 - Corvina, Rondinella, Cab, Nebbiolo, Croatina and traces of Molinara and Negrara.

2002 – Elegant, dark red fruit, cocoa, spices, sage, rich concentrated, great balance.

2004 Amarone della Valpolicella 'Dal Forno Romano' Lodoletta

98 pts. R.P. Silky and elegant, blackberry jam, crushed rocks, minerals and violets, bittersweet chocolate.

1995 Cabernet Franc 'Alzero', Quintarelli

95 in WS. This is like Vintage Port. Full-bodied and off-dry, with masses of fruit and soft round tannins.

Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Superiore, Quintarelli

1995 - A pretty and balanced Amarone with plum, cherry flavours, full-bodied and fine tannins.

2000 - Mid weight, crushed flowers, red berries, and sweet spices, rich and graceful.

Super-Tuscans and Tuscan Blends

2017 Villa Antinori. Antinori

A deep ruby red in color. The nose is intense and complex, characterized by notes of red fruit.

2014 Caburnio, Tenuta Monteti

A brilliant ruby red. Blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Alicante. Crispy red berry fruits.

2018 Le Volte, Tenuta dell'Ornellaia

Complex and very fruity with delicate floral and spicy notes. Crisp and lively finish.

2018 Modus, Ruffino

Cherries, plums, small blackberries, mint sweet tobacco, velvety tannins.

2017 La Vite Lucente, Marchesi di Frescobaldi

Notes of strawberry, red cherry, and darker black currants. Undertones of sage and thyme. Full finish.

2018 Le Difese, Tenuta San Guido

Medium-bodied red with plum and cherry. Cabernet Sauvignon and sangiovese. Scored 93.

2017 Crognolo, Tenuta Sette Ponti

Balanced and fresh blend of sangiovese and merlot. Medium body and fine tannins.

2012 Sassoalloro, Jacobo Biondi Santi

100% Sangiovese. Lots of cherry fruit with herbaceous characters. Firm tannins with black fruit.

2004 **Avvoltore**, *Morisfarms*

90 pts. Aromas of blackberry and coffee. F-bodied, fine tannins, medium finish.

Vigorello, San Felice

2000 - Peppery red, with plum, ripe fruit character. F-bodied, fine tannins. Austere, powerful finish.

2001 - 91 WS Focused aromas of currants, raspberries and cigar humidor. M-F bodied, silky tannins.

2017 Promis 'Ca Marcanda', Gaja

Oak, red fruit, hint of smoke on the nose. Juicy tannins and creamy, tannic finish.

2006 Sassello, Castello di Verrazzano

Cherry, wildberries, black pepper, cinnamon, vanilla on the nose. M-F bodied. Bright acidity.

Perlato Del Bosco (Sangiovese/Cabernet/Syrah), Tua Rita

2007 – Offers mint and berry aromas and flavours. Full-boded with fine tannins.

2014 – Full and juicy with loads of fruit & coffee character.

Super-Tuscans (continued)

LeSerre Nuove (Bordeaux Blend), Tenuta Dell 'Ornellaia

2011 – 94 pts. RP. Inky dark, intense aromas of blackberry, dried cherry.

2017 – Red and dark berry, cherry, and wood smoke. Powerful, distinct refinement, supple.

Magari 'Ca'Marcanda', Gaja

2000 – 90 in WS. Gaja's new red from Bolgheri. Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Cabernet Franc.

2001 – Light but sweetly herbaceous with ripe blackberry fruit, polished tannins and long finish.

2005 - 92 pts WS. Aromas of current, blackberry and Indian spices. F-bodied, balanced.

2001 Romitorio di Santedame, Ruffino

94 WS F-bodied with velvety tannins, gorgeous finish. Like cashmere. Colorino and Merlot.

2004 Brancaia 'il Blu', Castello di Fonteruoli

#9 in '06. 96 pts. Roses and lilacs follow crushed blackberry and cherry notes. F-bodied, balanced.

1998 Summus, Castello Banfi

90 in WS. Aromas of blackberries, licorice and cherries. Cabernet, Sangiovese, and Syrah blend.

Mormoreto (Bordeaux Blend), Frescobaldi

2000 — Cabernet Sauvignon and Franc with clean berry and current flavour.

2001 – Blackberries and raspberries on the nose. M-bodied, fine tannins, medium finish.

2005 – Dark berries, cinnamon, and leather. Classy, firm tannins. Pairs well with beef/lamb.

Giusto di Notri (Bordeaux Blend), Tua Rita

2005 - Notes of blackberry and plum, bell pepper, coriander, violet and a touch of vanilla.

2007 - 95 pts WS. Aromas of blackberry, plum, chocolate, bell peppers, coriander, violet.

2008 - 93 pts Blackberry, plum, chocolate-covered strawberries, currants. Rich, sweet tannins.

2009 – Aromas of blackberry, plum, strawberries and currants. F-boded with rich tannins.

2010 - A blend of Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, layers of black fruit, ripe cherry.

1999 Lamaione Castelgiocondo, Frescobaldi

Aromas of berries, green olives, turn to flowers M-bodied, fine tannins, cherry finish.

2013 Guado al Tasso (Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot/Syrah), Antinori

One of the best Guado al Tasso ever, powerful and long, racy with a great minerality.

2009 **Diadema**, *Diadema*

Wild red berries, spices, chocolate, roasted coffee. Tannins are massive but elegant. Long finish.

Solengo, Argiano

2000 - Ripe nose of black fruit followed by lush palate of black cherry, cassis, vanilla and plum.

2002 - Hints of black cherry and plum, toasted wood, vanilla. Tannic attack, but balanced.

Super-Tuscans (continued)

Oreno, Tenuta Sette Ponti

- 2000 Refined red. Dark, intense aromas of crushed fruit, oak, dried flowers. Full bodied.
- 2006 #15/96 pts W.S! Cab/Merlot/Sang Licorice, blackberry and toasty oak. Super silky tannins
- 2008 96 pts W.S. Mint, red berries, roses and spices emerge with superb clarity and balance.
- 2009 94 R.P Depth, freshness and vitality with terrific balance. Sweet flowers, spices, licorice
- 2010 94 W.S Currants, blackberries, truffles. Full-bodied, crafted, creamy tannins.
- 2016 94 W.S. Black cherry, black current, spice, tobacco, crushed granite or limestone.
- 2017 95 points from James Suckling. Firm and fresh, with complex dark fruit, and spice.

Isodi di San Nicolo, ,Castello di Castellina

- 1998 Sangiovese and Malvasia. A red that gushes with floral, berry, and vanilla.
- 2001 Sang and Canaiolo, taut tannins, excellent complexity.

Bottiglia Particolare, Castello di Verrazzano

- 2006 Blackberry, tobacco, cocoa nose. F-bodied, ripe black fruit, cinnamon. Firm tannins.
- 2007 Full bodied with ripe black fruit flavours, cinnamon & cardamom and firm tannins.

Cepparello, Isole e Olena (Sangiovese)

- 1998 91 in W.S. Solid ruby garnet with huge dark fruit aromas with plenty of force and length.
- 2000 3 Glasses!! One of the most elegant, complex sangiovese-based wines.
- 2001 2 Glasses! Stylishly gentle entry, well-integrated tannins, never heavy, great texture.
- 2002 Flavourful with spicy raspberry and violet. Dry, soft, fleshy, satiny tannins.
- 2003 88 pts WS. Aromas of blackberry, cedar and vanilla. Balanced, M-body and good fruit.

2001 **Schidione**, *Jacopo Biondi Santi* (Sangiovese, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot)

91 pts WS. Toasty oak, cigar box notes, with ripe fruit, prune, hint of coffee. Full-bodied.

Luce, Frescobaldi/Mondavi Sangiovese/Merlot/Cab Sauv

- 1997 Sangiovese/Merlot dense and opaque. Very full-boded and powerful.
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- 1999 93 pts! Chocolate, berries, flowers on the nose. F-bodied and thick.
- 2000 Complex notes of cherry, smoke and developed fruit this wine has developed with grace.
- 2001 92 pts! Blackberry, fresh leather aromas. F-bodied, fine tannins, Ultra-refined wine.
- 2004 91 pts! Aromas of flowers, berry. Med-bodied, with fine tannins and a clean finish
- 2007 95 WS Dense and powerful, with currant and toasty oak character.
- 2008- Fruit-forward wine significant tannins, integrated well. Cherry, spice, pepper, anise
- 2010 Floral, violet, black cherry, earth and spice aromas and flavors are very pure.
- 2013 Blackberry, black cherry, sandalwood. Full body with ultra fine tannins and long finish

Tignanello, Antinori (Sangiovese, Cab Sauv, Cab Franc blend)

- 1998 89 in WS. A Velvety and caressing red with tobacco and cherry character.
- 2001 91 WS Blackberry, coffee, olive aromas. F-bodied, velvety tannins long, subtle yet rich finish
- 2003 Loaded with blackberry, coffee, tar and truffle aromas. Extremely Powerful.
- 2004 #4 on W.S. Top 100. Black cherries, licorice, tar and sweet toasted oak on palate.
- 2006 Rich and spicy blend. Loaded with blackberry, coffee, tar and truffle aromas.

Super-Tuscans (continued)

Ornellaia, Tenuta dell'Ornellaia (Bordeaux Blend)

- 1997 96 in WS! #9 Wine of the year in 2000. Black in colour with concentrated flavours.
- 1998 96 points! Wine Spectator's "Wine of the Year" for 2001. Very rare! Even better than the 1997.
- 1999 94 points! Wow. Currants, berries, cherries and minerals, but all subtlety.
- 2000 90 in WS. Lots of currant and spice with fresh herb. Medium-full bodied.
- 2001 95 pts. Ultrafine tannins and layers of currants, berries and lightly toasted oak. F-bodied.
- 2002 90 pts. Currants, plums and hints of fresh herbs, rosemary in particular. F-bodied, silky tannins
- 2004 97 pts. #7 Wine of the year in 2007. Well-delineated fruit, showing much purity on the palate.
- 2005 95 pts. Aromas of ripe fruit, currant, plum and blackberry. Complex. F-bodied, polished tannins.
- 2006 95 pts. Layers of minerals, cassis, tar, sweet herbs and French oak. Awesome balance.
- 2007 93 pts Clean, minerally notes. Mocha, spices, licorice, grilled herbs, leather
- 2008 96 pts RP. Dark fruit, mocha, licorice, tar and spices. Balanced tannins, gorgeous fleshiness.
- 2009 Full, juicy with black pepper, spice aromas and flavours. Very intense. Powerful but not heavy
- 2010 97 pts RP. Cherry, spice, chocolate and espresso. Exudes balance and is profoundly impressive.
- 2011 96 pts WS Dark, complex, moody and deep: this wine is for collectors
- 2012 Silky red with compacted fruit and tannins. Excellent structure and mouthfeel, classic Ornellaia
- 2013 Vibrant and complex fruity nuances, dense, slender structure. Balanced and fresh finish.
- 2016 Complex nose of blackberries, spices, and cedar. Firm tanning with juicy and bright acidity.

Redigaffi, *Tua Rita* (Merlot)

- 2005 95 pts WS Aromas of blackberry, dried currant spices. Wonderful texture. Refined aftertaste.
- 2006 97 pts WS Blackberry, black olive and floral aromas. Super silky tannins
- 2007 98 pts WS Aromas of raspberry, violet, cream, mineral, mint and blueberry. Velvety.
- 2008 94 pts Raspberry, blueberry jam, plum, blackberry. Notes of dark chocolate, licorice, black pepper
- 2009 Rich and powerful, loads of fruit, licorice and spices. Full and very velvety. Incredible!

Solaia, *Antinori* (Cabernet Sauvignon/Cabernet Franc)

- 1998 93 in WS. Rich aromas of smoke, sage, and ripe fruit. Big, velvety, chewy tannins.
- 1999 94 in WS. Full-bodied, with extremely well-polished tannins and a long, long finish.
- 2000 Aromas of raspberry, hint of mineral. Full and round, velvety tannins, long finish.
- 2001 93 pts Full, with velvety tannins, loads of fruit and excellent wood. Big and juicy.
- 2002 Nose of cassis, cherry, spice, mint, earth/mushroom. Vibrant fruit. Ripe tannins. M-F bodied
- 2003 95 pts WS. F-bodied, rich, velvety tannins and long, fruity finish. Fruit-forward and exciting.
- 2004 96 pts WS. Shows beautiful, complex aromas of flowers and currant. F-bodied, powerful
- 2005 97 pts WS. 20% Sang. 5% Cab. Franc. Blackberry, mineral and flowers, superfine tannins.
- 2006 97 pts WS. Mint, eucalyptus, currant. Masses of fruit, reserved and structured. Mouth puckering
- 2007 97 pts RP Super-ripe black cherries, plums, cassis, mocha and sweet French oak.
- 2009 96 pts RP Smooth with velvety tannins and displays notes of coffee, chocolate, mint, licorice.
- 2011 Red fruit, spices, floral notes. Succulent, supple, rounded tannins. Persistent finish.

Super Tuscans (continued)

Sassicaia, Tenuta San Guido (Cabernet Sauvignon/Cabernet Franc)

- 1998 95 WS. Lovely, yet subtle aromas of blackcurrants, sage and green olives.
- 1999 92 WS. Full-bodied, with well-integrated tannins and a succulent, refined aftertaste.
- 2000 93 WS. Rich yet balanced, with lots of jammy, plumy character. Full, round tannins.
- 2001 94 WS. Aromas of summer fruits. Well-defined and f-bodied, sleek and refined tannins
- 2002 French oak. Winning texture. Satisfying mouthful displaying mild, Laffite-like charm.
- 2003 92 WS. Raspberry and cherry on the nose. F-bodied and chunky with lots of fruit.
- 2004 94 WS Aromas of chocolate, currant, blackberry. Firm, velvety tannins, long finish
- 2005 94 WS Aromas of currant, new oak and fresh herbs, spices. F-bodied, very chewy tannins.
- 2006 97 WS Dark fruit, smoke, leather, violets, earthiness and tar. Creamy, silky finish
- 2007 95 RP Rich, opulent fruit. Dark wild cherries, plums, spices, minerals and herbs. Bold
- 2008 96 RP rich, deep wine imbued with notable class in its black cherries, plums, herbs, minerals.
- 2009 93 WS rich and dense with sweet, balanced tannins. Long finish with a depth and structure.
- 2010 currant, dried berry, cocoa bean, hints of wood. It's full-bodied, intense long finish.
- 2011 Ripe black cherry, blackberry with rosemary, mineral and spice. Concentrated and intense
- 2012 Drop dead gorgeous, cedar, juicy red currant, white pepper, structured and radiant
- 2013 95 WS. Red and black fruits, rosemary, lavender, spice and wild herb.
- 2014 92 WS. Rich and dense yet harmonious with sweet, balanced tannins. Long finish.
- 2015 97 WS. Black currant, blackberry, violet, mineral, and spice. Long, fruit filled aftertaste.
- 2016 98 pts. Cedar, tobacco, blue flower, and spiced plum. Black cherry, cassis and wild herb.
- 2017 Aromas of exotic spice, baked plum and French oak. Blue flower on the nose.

Masseto, (100% Merlot) Tenuta dell'Ornellaia

- 1997 96 in WS! 100% Merlot with huge blackberry, plum aromas, rich fruit and solid tannins.
- 1998 97 in WS! Best vintage ever. An extremely rare prize. Breathtaking.
- 1999 96 in WS. Full-bodied Merlot with big, rich and chewy tannins and long, ripe fruit finish.
- 2000-100 WS. Aromas of blackberries, raspberries and fresh tobacco. F-bodied, velvety tannins.
- 2001 #6 Wine of the year. 100 W.S. Incredible length and richness. Best Masseto ever
- 2002 90 WS. Aromas of berries and fresh herbs such as basil. M-F bodied, very silky tannins.
- 2003 Aged in barriques for 24 months followed by another 12 months in the bottle.
- 2004 Sweet jammy dark fruit and mineral notes. 100% new oak, extraordinary class.
- 2005 94 pts R.P. Dark fruit, licorice, cassis, toasted oak, well-integrated tannins
- 2006 99 pts R.P.! Black cherries, flowers, licorice and sweet toasted oak on nose.
- 2008 96 pts RP Plenty of juicy plum, blackberry and violet notes framed by vanilla and toast.

Tuscany - Chianti, Chianti Classico, Chianti Classico Riserva

2014 Chianti Classico, Casa Sola

Hints of red fruit with fresh notes. Slightly earthy tannins and well balanced.

2016 Chianti Rufina Riserva 'Nipozzano', Frescobaldi

Deep colour with cherry earthy aromas. Medium bodied with moderate finish and fresh acidity

2016 Chianti Classico Riserva 'Ducale', Ruffino

Pruny lather and smoky notes giving way to a soft round concentration on the palate.

2014 Chianti Classico Riserva, Casa Sola

Notes of ripe red fruits, cocoa, blackberry and small notes of strawberry and redcurrant.

2017 Chianti Classico, Castello di Verranzzano

One of the oldest estates in Classico, bright aromas of blackberry

2016 Chianti Classico Riserva, Villa Antinori

Black current, cedar, olive, and tobacco aromas and flavours. Fine balance and long finish.

Chianti Classico Riserva, Castello di Verranzzano

1999 – 87 in WS. Full, intense, persistent, fruity, flowery bouquet with hints of vanilla.

2000 — Hints of violet, raspberry, and oaky notes. F-bodied, well-balanced with overtones of fruit.

Chianti Classico Reserva 'Ducale Oro', Ruffino

2011 – Violet, blackberry, cherry aromas. Lingering finish of chocolate and coffee.

2014 – Vibrant red berry, underbrush, earthy, and savory herb flavours.

Chianti Rufina 'Montesodi', Frescobaldi

2001 – 3 Glasses!! Paragon of elegance and power. Soft, round, smooth palate, blende tannins.

2003 – 91 pts WS. Ripe black fruit, fresh licorice, stony materials and herbs. F-bodied.

2004 – 91 pts WS. Rich, fruity, blackberry, mineral. F-bodied, fine tannins, long, flavourful finish.

2001 **Chianti Classico**, Castello di Fonterutoli

Maturing bitter fruit, dark biter-sweet cherries, dark chocolate, smoke, coffee, great balance.

Chianti Classico 'Castello di Brolio', Ricasoli

1998 – 89 in WS. Plenty of berry, mint, and cherry aromas, m-bodied. Palate of fresh fruit.

1999 – 3 glasses, plum, berry, black licorice character, hints of minerals. F-M bodied.

Southern Tuscany

2012 Brunello di Montalcino, Croce di Mezzo

Ruby and fragrant, with red berried fruits, fine tannic notes. Pairs perfectly with cheese and meats.

2010 Brunello di Montalcino, Collematoni

Aromas of ripe berry, cooking spice, tilled soil, truffle, leather and a balsamic note.

2009 Brunello di Montalcino, Banfi

Smooth and soft upfront with deep layers of aromatic intensity that include tobacco, and cassis.

1999 Brunello di Montalcino, Argiano

92 pts. W.S. Blackberry, plum, and cedar character on nose and palate. Full bodied.

Brunello di Montalcino, Poggio Salvi

2000 – Aromas of Indian spices and blackberries. F-bodied, with silky tannins and tobacco

2003 – Ripe fruit, cherry, blackberry, exotic spice and vanilla essence. Solid, gritty texture, vibrant.

2001 Brunello di Montalcino 'Il Poggiolo', Roberto Cosimi

90 pts W.S. Aromas of blackberry, vanilla, and mineral. F-bodied palate, silky tannins and med finish.

1997 **Brunello di Montalcino**, Castiglion del Bosco

Cherries in mouth with well balanced palate. Long finish, sweet fruit to balance sangiovese acidity.

1997 Brunello di Montalcino, Fattoria dei Barbi

Concentrated and powerful with firm, showy tannins.

Brunello di Montalcino, Frescobaldi Castelgiocondo

2012 – Ripe strawberries and spicy tea. F-bodied, chewy, polished tannins.

2013 – Medium bodied, tart cherry, plum, fresh tobacco, herbs. Notes of smoke, leather, and game.

Brunello di Montalcino 'Pian delle Vigne', Marchesi Antinori

2007 – Aromatic & complex nose, spices, cherries, blackberries, tobacco. Very full-bodied.

2008 - 91 WS Brilliant ruby red colour, aromas of raspberries, cherries and ripe plums, tobacco.

2009 - Plump, fruit-forward style with bold cherry notes and tobacco leaf.

2015 - 94 points with Eric Guido. Blackberry spice, tar and earth, full-bodied and firm.

Brunello di Montalcino, Eredi Fuligni

1996 - 90 in WS. Blackberry and cherry character, Medium to full body, firm tannins.

1998-91 in WS. Super clean with roses, mint and bright, berry aromas, medium body. Fine tannins.

2003 - 93 pts seamless texture. Silky tannins make a beautifully balanced wine, Enjoy now.

2001 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva, Poggio Salvi

40 mths in Slavonian oak barrels. Complex bouquet, notes of cherry, sweet tobacco, tar. F-bodied.

Brunello di Montalcino 'La Casa', Carpazo

1998-92 pts. Fruit forward. Plum, berry, and hints of Indian spices. F-bodied, velvety tannins.

1999-94 pts. Crushed fruit and a lovely smokiness underneath, F-bodied, very silky.

1997 Brunello di Montalcino, Tentimenti Angelini 'Val di Suga'

Polished, clean fruit and new wood, cherry flavours. Soft tannins. Sangiovese.

Southern Tuscany

1999 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva, Il Palazzone 3 glasses!!!

3 Glasses! Blackberry, cherry. Fine tannins, balanced acidity.

Brunello di Montalcino Riserva, Fuligni

1995 – 92 in WS. Complex aromas of strawberries and dried flowers. Silky tannins.

2001 – Perfumed with rose, blackberry, hint of wet earth. F-bodied, layers of silky tannins.

Brunello di Montalcino Castelgiocondo Riserva, Marchesi de Frescobaldi

1995 – 94 in WS. Wonderful aromas of ripe berries, mushrooms and flowers. F-bodied.

1999 – 97 pts in WS. Plum, blueberry, and pressed flowers. F-bodied, firm, silky tannins.

Brunello di Montalcino Riserva, La Gerla

1997 – 95 WS. Aromas od strawberries, vanillas, blackberries. F-bodied, silky tannins.

2007 —Pretty perfumed red with cherry and rose character. F-bodied, refined, lots of depth.

2001 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 'La Togata', Tenuta Carlina

96 pts. Blackberry, violet, flowers and Indian spices. F-bodied with loads of tannins.

1997 Brunello di Montalcino 'Vigna Del Fiore', Fattoria di Barbi

Concentrated and powerful with firm, showy tannins. Truly a memorable Brunello.

Brunello di Montalcino Riserva, Poggio Antico

1997 – 95 pts in WS. Full-bodied, loads of ripe fruit. Fresh berry, black pepper and vanilla.

2000 – 93 pts WS. Loads of blackberry, chocolate and floral aromas. F-bodied palate.

2004 - 96 pts WS. Aromas of raspberries, flowers, minerals. Refined and racy.

1997 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva. Fattoi

Starts of earthy but quickly turns to flowers, prunes and berries on the nose. F-bodied.

1998 Brunello di Montalcino 'Rennina', Gaja

91 WS. Ripe berry and new oak. Refined and silky. M-F bodied, well-integrated tannins. Fruity.

Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 'Poggio all' Oro', Castello Banfi

1995 – 93 WS. Wonderful aromas of blackberries, raspberries and flowers. F-bodied.

1997 – 96 WS. Notes of tobacco, blackberry, violet, leather. Wide/deep palate. Good acidity.

Brunello di Montalcino 'Greppo', Franco Biondi Santi

2001 – Tobacco & tanned leather on nose. Smooth alcohol, well-integrated tannins. Fruity.

2005 – Harmonic, well-structured, warm, tannins and acidity in perfect equilibrium, persistent.

2006-94 RP. Dazzling richness. Integrity in its powerful fruit. Very captivating.

2007 - Gorgeous fruit character, long well-balanced finish.

2008 - Aromatic. Offering scents of juicy cherries, wildflowers, earth and berries.

2009 - Pure, complex, elegant sweet red fruit. Lilting spice and wildflowers.

2010 - 92 in WS. Wild strawberry, fine tannins with a hint of leather, Finish is sweet, fruity.

2011 – Pure red fruit, crushed wildflowers, cypress needles, fresh-cut mint, earthy.

Unique Regions of Italy

2017 Nero D'Avola, Rudini, Sicily

Ruby red colour, velvety texture with black fruit bouquet

2012 Biferno Rosso Riserva, Cantine Tombacco, Molise

Good body, smooth and velvety with delicate presence of tannins. Pleasant hints of cherry and vanilla.

2018 **Primotivo Critera**, Schola Sarmenti, Puglia

Hand harvested from 25-year-old vines, dark cherry and blackberry fruit. Rich, round and juicy.

2015 Liano, Umberto Cesari, Emilia Romagna

70% Sangiovese/Cab. Sauv. Complex. Light touches of vanilla, a feeling of ripe fruit and spices.

2016 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 'Marina Cvetic', Masciralli, Abruzzo

Deep and dark, with lifted seductive aromas of red fruit and spice. Powerful black fruits.

2012 **Feudi Taurasi**, *Feudi di San Gregorio*, Taurasi

Aglianico. Cherry, vanilla, anise, nutmeg, cinnamon, tobacco, herbs. Soft tannins and rounded taste.

2002 Zeus, Ronco di Prepotto, Fruili

Aromas of blue and blackberries, cherry and cassis. Notes of black pepper, vanilla, and chocolate.

Maurizio Zanella (Cab. Sauv., Cab. Franc, and Merlot), Ca'del Bosco, Lombardia

1996 – Elegant and refined with a deep, complex fragrance with smooth flavour.

1998 – Latest vintage of Zanella's Bordeaux blend.

2007 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 'Villa Gemma', Masciarelli, Abruzzo

Full, fruity, flowery, spicy, ripe red fruits with eucalyptus, old rose, vanilla, cocoa, leather. Fine tannins.

San Giorgio, Lungarotti, Umbria

1990 - Jammy, rich fruit with notes of ripe cherry, and black plum flavours.

1995 – Fair body and delicate, partially evolved aromas as well as god balance on the palate.

Canada

2005 Baco Noir, Henry of Pelham, Niagara, Ontario

Spicy, savoury, oaky, hickory smoke, black cherry, plum.

Cabernet/Merlot, Henry of Pelham, Niagara, Ontario

- 1997 Elegant structure. Lovely oak treatment, roasted coffee, lime, cedar scents.
- 1998 88 in WA. Big. Aromas of dried berries, mocha, tobacco, herbs and charred oak.
- 1999 Bordeaux style blend. Classic flavours of black currant, blackberry and herbs.

Oculus Estate, Mission Hill, British Columbia

- 2004 94 WS. Aromas of black currants, vanilla. Flavours of plums, currants. Notes of cedar.
- 2005 Spicy, peppery, chocolate nose. Dry and elegant. Cedar, tobacco leaf, cassis, orange peel.

United States, Napa/Sonoma

2015 Cabernet Sauvignon 'Private Selection', Mondavi, North Coast, California

A good Cabernet with typical cassis aromas and tannin to follow through on the palate.

2016 Merlot 'Founder's Estate', Beringer, California

Black and big. Cherry fruit are complemented by spicy qualities and a light caramel component.

2016 **Zinfindel**. *Ravenswood*. California

Aromas of smoky plum, raspberry, and mocha. M-F bodied with plenty of spicy, berry fruit.

2017 Cabernet Sauvignon, Tom Gore, California

Ripe black fruit, cherry, cassis, plum, dark chocolate, and vanilla.

2016 Pinot Noir, Meiomi, Monterey/Santa Barbara/Sonoma County

Bright strawberry, jammy fruit, mocha, vanilla with toasty oak notes. Supple tannins, silky texture.

2004 Merlot, Goosecross,

Aromas of black cherry, sweet strawberry, mint and spice. Velvety plum, rich blackberry.

2014 Cabernet Sauvignon, Chateau Montelena, Napa

Hints of iron, smoke, leather and herbs inform the muscular, virile finish.

United States Continued

2012 Cabernet Sauvignon Crossbarn, Paul Hobbs, Napa

Dark red fruit, flowers, spice and leather with a silky expressive finish

2001 Bacio Divino, Cloudy Cellars, Napa

93 pts from Parker. Cab Sauv, Sangiovese, Petit Syrah. Good underlying acidity and ripe tannins.

Chateau St. Jean Cinq Cepage, Beringer Estates, Sonoma

- 1997 Super-complex bouquet of licorice, dried herbs, black currants, spice box, and cherry liqueur.
- 1999 #2 Wine of the yr 95 pts WS Ripe, rich, currant, blackberry fruits, hints of olive, sage. Firm tannin.
- 2001 92 pts WS Blackberry, cherry, plum, and wild berry fruit. Tannins firm.

Cabernet Sauvignon Caymus, Caymus, Napa

- 2010 92 W.S Young & vibrant, grapey, pure currant and blackberry fruit, tightening on the finish.
- 2016 92 WS. Dark cherries, chocolate shavings, and violets. Equal balance of fruit, oak, and earthiness.

1996 Cabernet Sauvignon Bella Oaks, Heitz Wine Cellars, Napa

92 points in WS. Supple and elegant, a very impressive style, with creamy black cherry + currant.

1999 Cabernet Sauvignon, Staglin Family Vineyard, Napa

94 points WS. Dense, chewy, richly flavoured currant, earth, blackberry, cherry, mineral and mocha.

2006 **Proprietary Red,** *Pahlmeyer*, Napa (Bordeaux Blend)

Blackberry, currant, bittersweet cocoa, firm and beautiful fruit flavours, balance for longevity.

2008 Cabernet Sauvignon Special Selection, Caymus, Napa

94 pts RP. 14% Merlot gives cocoa/chocolate nuance to its black currant, licorice-infused fruit.

2013 Cabernet Sauvignon, Spottswoode, Santa Helena-Napa

Amazing depth and concentration of blue and black fruit, great balance, long finish with structured tannins

Dominus, Moueix, Napa

- 1997 93pts WS Deep fruit flavours, restrained and structured by substantial tannins, smooth as graphite.
- 1999 95 pts. Wine Spectator "Top 100" Deep fruit flavours, restrained, substantial tannins.
- 2001 95 pts from Parker. Perfume of cocoa, cedar, coffee, roasted herbs, and black fruits.
- 2003 95 pts RP Nose of roasted coffee, herbs, black currants, forest floor. Spicy, F-bodied. Sweet tannins.
- 2004 94pts. Big, cedary, roasted herb, mocha, black cherry liqueur. F-bodied, silky tannin. Luscious.
- 2007-98 pts RP Sweet nose of incense, cedar wood, black currants, black cherries, licorice.

Opus One, Mondavi/Rothschild, Napa (Bordeaux Blend)

- 1998 Power packed with fruit and soft tannin. Drinks earlier than the '97.
- 1999 93 points WS. Flavours of mineral, currant, earth and blackberry.
- 2000 Firm and structed, with spicy currant, herb, dill and berry. Finishes firm, rich and tight tannins.
- 2004 Bordeaux-like structure/balance. Cedary oak, dusty berry, dried currant, mineral, hints of herbs.

2003 Cabernet Sauvignon, Screaming Eagle, Napa Valley

Impeccably balanced, intense and complex, with a mix of savory currant, loamy earth.

Firm, structured tannins. Tightens up on the finish, where the tannins clamp down. Drink 2010 – 2033.

Unique Regions Around the World

1997 Priorato Clos de L'Obac, Costers del Siurana-Priorato, Spain

91 in WS. From extremely low yield mostly ancient Grenache vines. Distinctive, rich and harmonious.

2001 Vina Montes Alpha M, Montes Alpha, Curico Valley, Chile

94 pts WS. Black currant, black cherry. Array of espresso, mineral, fig and black tea notes.

1998 Mas La Plana, Torres, Penedes, Spain

Cab Sauv. Complex and balanced, berry and cherry flavours, accented by vanilla and floral notes.

2000 **Finca Dofi**, *Alvaro Palacious*, Priorat, Spain

92-95 Tanzer. Thick, dense and suave, with vibrant flavours of licorice and violet. Finishes very long.

Valbueno 5, Vega Sicilia, Spain

2001 – Berry, rhubarb, roasted coffee, oak. Med-full bodied. Dark, fruit flavours, spice accents.

2002 – Nose of pain grille, earth, herbs, lead pencil, blackberries. Ripe fruit, excellent depth.

1997 Conca de Barbera, Grand Muralles, Torres, Conca de Barbera, Spain

92 in WS. This rich, brooking red is packed with dark flavours of cassis, coffee, cedar, and toast.

Australia, New Zealand

2017 Shiraz, Earthworks, Barossa Valley, Australia

100% Barossa grown grapes. Minimal processing allows traditional; shiraz flavours to come through.

2016 **Pinot Noir**, Kim Crawford, New Zealand

Fine combination of dark cherries and red fruit abound. Fruit focused, velvety wine, rich flavours.

2002 **Blackbutt**, Frankland River, Alkoomi, Australia

89 RP 44% Cab, 26% Cab Franc, 22% Malbec. Spicy, earthy, chocolate, dried herb.

2000 Nine Popes, Charles Melton, Barossa Valley, Australia

Jammy lollipop style, with strong Grenache presence on the palate. Savoury finish.

2000 Gaia, Grosset, Claire Valley, Australia

Medium red-purple; a bouquet offering cedar, cassis, blackberry and herbs.

1999 Wynn's Cabernet Sauvignon, John Riddoch, Coonawarra, Australia

Scents of plums, dark olives, and black currant. Destined to soften and integrate.

Shiraz RWT, Penfold, Barossa, Australia

1999 – Deep purple, highly extracted with tons of dark berry fruit aromas.

2004 – Berries with sexy vanillin oak spice. Blackberry and mulberry flavours.

2004 **Run Rig**, *Torbreck*, Australia

99+ pts R.P. 30 months in new & used French oak. Nose of fresh asphalt, pencil lead, and smoke.

F-bodied and voluptuous in the mouth, the wine is dense and packed with amazing purity.

1998 Shiraz Grange, Penfolds, Australia

99 pts in WS. Highly sought after and extremely age worthy – a real treasure.

Southern France, Burgundy, Midi

2017 Beaujolais, Georges Duboeuf, Burgundy

Young berry fruit & cherry aromas. Soft fruit flavour; very easy drinking style.

1997 **Renomme**, Remoissenet Pere & Fils

Rose petals and ripe fruit nose, cleanr medium to light body, notes of pepper and strawberry.

2002 Nuits-Saint-Georges Les Chaignots, Domaine Robert Chevillon, Burgundy

Musky red fruits, earth on expressive nose. Supple with notes of redcurrant and earth.

2005 Chambolle-Musigny, Robert Arnoux, Cote de Nuit, Burgundy

Nose of black cherry, plum, fresh meat juices, a savory, rich palate.

2001 Echezeaux Grand Cru, Domaine De La Romanee-Conti, Burgundy

Knockout black sexy fruit aromas, full, pure, sweet, and powerful flavours. Long, persistent finish.

2001 **Grands Echezeaux Grand Cru,** *Domaine De La Romanee-Conti*, Cote de Nuits Floral yet very earthy. Intense, crushed black fruit aromas with plum and anise. Refined tannins.

2001 La Tache Grand Cru, Domaine De La Romanee-Conti, Cote de Nuits, Burgundy

Aromas of Earth-laced blackberries. Suave and plush. It boasts loads of candied black fruits.

France, Rhone

2017 Cotes du Rhone Reserve, Perrin

Great value. Deep ruby red with aromas of pomegranate and berries. A rich and lively all-around wine.

2002 Cote Rotie, Christophe Pichon

Rose petals and floral notes, blue and blackberries. Good acidity. Racy with a minerally, chalky finish.

1998 Cote-Rotie Brune et Blonde, Guigal

93 in WS and number 10 of the "Top 100 Wines". This 100% Syrah is big, bold, and powerful.

France, Bordeaux

2006 Haut-Medoc, Sociando-Mallet

Extraordinary nose of graphite, black currant jam, subtle truffle/earth. Powerful!

2006 Saint-Julien 3^e Cru, Lagrange

Beautifully integrated oak. Sweet cassis, licorice, spice box notes dominate.

2006 Pauillac 4^e Cru, Duhart Milon

70% Cab Sauv, 30% merlot. Notes of crème de cassis, black cherries, loamy earth, herbs and spice.

2006 Pauillac 5^e Cru, Clerc Milon

50% Cab Sauv, 44% Merlot, 6% Cab Franc. Notes of espresso roast, chocolate, and cedar.

2000 Saint-Emilion, Château Grand Mayne

92 in WS. Impressive, intense aromas of crushed blackberries, raspberries and black licorice.

2000 **Pauillac**, Château Clerc Milon

91 in WS. Muscular with smoky, leathery notes intermixed with black fruits and spice box.

2003 Saint Emilion 1er Cru Classe, Château Beau-Sejour Becot

93 pts!! RP. 70% Merlot, 24% Cab Franc, 6% Cab Sauv. Nose of Creosote and scorched earth.

2006 **Pauillac**, Château Lynch Bages

92 pts R.P. Notes of creme de cassis, tobacco leaf and licorice. Plenty of structure. Beautiful fruit.

Bordeaux (continued)

2000 Margaux, Château de Tertre

91 pts Blackberry fruit intertwined with damp earth, mushroom, sweet, toasty barrique Ripe tannin.

2003 Saint -Emilion, Château Du Cru Beaucaillou

97 pts WS. Aromas of blackberry, currant. F-bodied, big, velvety tannins.

2000 Paulliac Le Petite Mouton, Rothschild

2nd to Rothschild. Deep inky hue. Dense plumy nose, Dry tannins with a muscular grip.

1993 **Pessac Leognan**, Château Haut Brion

92 pts R.P. Expressive, fragrant, sweet, berry, blackcurrant, mineral, lead pencil, and earthy.

Paulliac, Château Mouton, Baron Philipe De Rothschild

2001 - Exotic, spicey and rich. Very explosive Cabernet fruit. Almost ripe tannins. Great balance

2003 - Red and black cherry, plum with some spicy, caramel oak on the mid palate.

Paulliac, Château Latour

1986 - 93pts! Gaining in sength/depth. Rich, meat, plum, cassis tobacco flavours.

1997 - 96 pts! Aromas of toasted oak, tobacco, cherry followed by soft fruity, integrated tannin.

2006 **Saint Emilion**, Château Cheval Blanc (Cabernet Franc/Merlot)

95 pts W.S. Menthol, charcoal, boysenberries and black currants. Lush, textured and opulent.

1998 Saint Emilion. Château Ausone

94 in WS. Full-bodied with mineral berry aromas and big, chewy tannins with a long, long finish.

1995 Pauillac, Château Lafite-Rothschild

96 pts!! Seductive cassis berry perfume and blackberry taste backed by characteristic structure. Silky!

Pomerol, Château Petrus

1998 - 98 WS. Speechless...violet, floral, berry and toasted oak character. F-bodied

2001 - 95 WS. Enticing aromas of coffee, dark chocolate and hints of berries. F-bodied