

Wine Spectator

San Felice

Brunello di Montalcino Il Quercione Riserva 2003

Pretty raspberry and cherry aromas lead to a full body, with soft, delicious tannins and fruit. Delicious and friendly. Drink now. 270 cases made. —JS

Score: 90

Release Price: \$127

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Jun 30, 2009

Brunello di Montalcino 2004

Blackberry, black cherry and floral aromas lead to a full body, with fine, silky tannins and beautiful fruit. Dense and layered. Tight and interesting. More to seduce you as this develops in the bottle. Best after 2010. 7,000 cases made. —JS

Score: 92

Release Price: \$53

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Apr 30, 2009

San Felice Chianti Classico Il Grigio Riserva 2006

Blueberry and mineral aromas. Full-bodied, with fine tannins and pretty wood that turns to sandalwood and violet. Subtle and polished. Best from 2010 through 2014. 1,700 cases imported. —J.S.

Score: 90

Release Price: \$25

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

11 Chianti Values

Outstanding Chiantis from the 2006 and 2005 vintages, each priced at \$30 or less

James Suckling

Posted: August 7, 2009

Toscana Vigorello 2006

Score: 94

Release Price: \$53

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Oct 31, 2010

There's loads of new wood in this red, but also lots of fruit. Needs to come together in the bottle. Full-bodied and chewy. A full-throttle red. New World-like. Sangiovese, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. Best after 2013. 1,250 cases made. –JS

Chianti Classico Poggio Rosso Riserva 2006

Score: 93

Release Price: \$53

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Oct 15, 2010

A very structured and powerful Chianti Classico, with masses of fruit and chewy, polished tannins. Yet shows class and a deft hand in winemaking. Best after 2011. 1,585 cases made. –JS

Pugnitello Toscana 2007

Score: 90

Release Price: \$50

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Web Only - 2009

Pretty aromas of black licorice and dark berries follow through to a full-bodied palate, with a solid core of fruit and a velvety, rich finish. Stylish wine from an obscure Tuscan variety. Best after 2010. 1,300 cases made. –JS

Vermentino Maremma Toscana 2009

Score: 90

Release Price: \$12

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Oct 15, 2010

Delivers green melon and lemon on the nose and palate, with hints of cream. Full-bodied, featuring lovely fruit that turns to mango and papaya. Flavorful. Reminiscent of a minerally Condrieu. Drink now. 5,000 cases made. – JS

Campogiovanni Rosso di Montalcino 2009

Score: 88

Release Price: \$25

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Sep 30, 2011

A dose of cherry and blackberry fruit, with a touch of earthiness, graces this round red, which firms up a bit on the finish, but is balanced. Drink now through 2012. – BS

Maremma Toscana Perolla 2009

Score: 88

Release Price: \$13

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Sep 30, 2011

Black cherry and blackberry notes take on thyme and sage accents in this meaty red. The tannins are still on the assertive side, and this finishes dry. Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Ciliegiolo and Sangiovese. Best from 2012 through 2016. –BS

Campogiovanni Rosso di Montalcino 2009

Score: 88

Release Price: \$25

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Sep 30, 2011

A dose of cherry and blackberry fruit, with a touch of earthiness, graces this round red, which firms up a bit on the finish, but is balanced. Drink now through 2012. –BS

Brunello di Montalcino 2006

Score: 96

Release Price: \$50

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Jul 31, 2011

Designation: Collectibles

Licorice, sweet spices, toast, smoke and sanguine aromas and flavors envelop a kernel of raspberry in this intense, extroverted red, which is complex, focused and structured, with an expansive finish. There's fine potential, but needs time. Best from 2014 through 2027. 7,000 cases made. –BS

Chianti Classico 2008

Score: 88

Release Price: \$17

Country: Italy

Region: Tuscany

Issue: Oct 31, 2011

Full of sweet cherry, raspberry, floral and balsamic notes, this red presents a tension between sweet fruit and wild, leafy elements, followed by a firm finish. Best from 2013 through 2020. 30,000 cases made. –BS