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THREE GLASSES
AWARDS**

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The Sertoli Salis winery structure has changed. After the sudden passing of Cesare Sertoli Salis, his brother Francesco took over estate management, ably assisted by his wife Paola. Technical management remains in the expert hands of oenologist Claudio Inroini, who again gave us a line-up of top-quality wines, beginning with the Capo di Terra '03 made from slightly dried nebbiolo grapes. The nose is dense with the intact fruit to the fore. The palate is juicy and round with good intensity and length. Among the best from the vintage, Sforzato Canua '03 deserved its place in the taste-offs. It has a powerful personality, a long lifespan, warm spicy aromas and a dense palate with soft tannins and a lingering finish. The Grumello '03 put on an interesting performance with fruity, morello cherry-led aromas. The palate is broad with well-resolved tannins and a balanced richness of flavour. We thought the classic interpretation of the Sassella '03 was good, with sweet plum aromas and a nicely acidic palate that drinks warm, full and long. The supple Saloncello '05 has fruity aromas, but we felt it was slightly lean. The Rosso di Valtellina '05 is pleasant to drink, fresh in its aromas and honestly priced. The well-crafted Torre della Sirena '05, from native pignola and rossola grapes, shows peach and hedgerow aromas and a taut palate with a precise, mineral, savoury finish.

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