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We are pleased to enclose our new & latest Italian wine offer. The continual demand for top Italian wines grows. We would recommend these excellent wines below. Scores by Wine Advocate/Robert Parker, shipping can be arranged door-door service from London. New releases from the 2019 vintage offered. Tignanello 2018 scoring a massive 98/100 Buy.

Sassicaia 2016 with a magical 100 points score

The 2016 Sassicaia is a wine of soaring achievement. I tasted this wine several times during the course of its creation in both barrel and bottle, and the highly deserved 100-point score you see here was enthusiastically assigned at the conclusion of a mini vertical in which I tasted and compared the 2016 vintage against 2015 (which I scored 97 points). It makes perfect sense to present these two excellent vintages in back-to-back comparison fashion because they are two of the best to emerge from Bolgheri, and indeed Tenuta San Guido, in recent memory. These are very similar vintages with long, hot summer months that fueled a long growing season. There was a bit more rain in 2016, and in analytical terms this vintage has a tad more acidity. However, the results in the glass are extraordinarily different. The 2015 vintage is exuberant, round, succulent and immediate, whereas the 2016 vintage shows pinpoint sharpness and precision (with similar grit and texture at the back). That acidity will carry it long into the future as the wine completes its slow evolutionary course. This wine is chiseled and sharp with blackberry, ripe cherry, grilled herb and barbecue spice. The aromas flow from the glass in a continuous stream and are all marked by radiant intensity. The mouthfeel is long and powerful. The crisp linearity of the wine's tannic backbone is perfectly measured to the volume and depth of the fruit flavors. To my mind, the 2016 Sassicaia stands tall next to the epic 1985 vintage that set the ultimate benchmark for vino italiano.

Prices are per case 12/1 bottles IB London

5	cases Sassicaia 2019	£3450.00 case	94+/100 AG
5	cases Sassicaia 2018	£3250.00 case	97+/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2017	£2895.00 case	94/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2016	£4500.00 case	100/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2015	£3550.00 case	97/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2014	£2690.00 case	92-94/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2013	£3195.00 case	95-97/ 100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2012	£2990.00 case	93/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2011	£2890.00 case	94/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2010	£3495.00 case	96/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2009	£3650.00 case	95/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2008	£3700.00 case	96/100 WA
3	cases Sassicaia 2007	£4295.00 case	95/100 WA
5	cases Sassicaia 2006	£3990.00 case	96/100 WA
1	case Sassicaia 2005	£4100.00 case	93/100 WA
1	case Sassicaia 1997	£5900.00 case	87/100 WA
1	case Sassicaia 1990	£7995.00 case	94/100 WA
5	cases Ornellaia 2019	£2150.00 case	97/100 AG
5	cases Ornellaia 2018	£2190.00 case	95/100 WA
5	cases Ornellaia 2017	£2195.00 case	92/100 WA
10	cases Ornellaia 2016	£2690.00 case	97/100 WA
10	cases Ornellaia 2015	£2550.00 case	98/100 AG
5	cases Ornellaia 2014	£2490.00 case	94/100 WA
5	cases Ornellaia 2013	£2490.00 case	96/100 WA
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5	cases Ornellaia 2010	£2895.00 case	97+/100 WA
5	cases Ornellaia 2009	£2695.00 case	97/100 WA
5	cases Ornellaia 2008	£2895.00 case	97/100 WA
2	cases Ornellaia 2007	£3350.00 case	93/100 WA
2	cases Ornellaia 2006	£3190.00 case	97/100 WA
5	cases Ornellaia 2005	£3190.00 case	93/100 WA
5	cases Ornellaia 2003	£3190.00 case	93/100 WA
2	cases Ornellaia 2000	£3995.00 case	93/100 WA
5	cases Tignanello 2019	£1690.00 case	95/100 AG
10	cases Tignanello 2018	£1690.00 case	98/100 WA
10	cases Tignanello 2017	£1690.00 case	95+/100 Vinous
10	cases Tignanello 2016	£1995.00 case	96/100 WA
10	cases Tignanello 2015	£1995.00 case	98/100 JS
10	cases Tignanello 2014	£1980.00 case	93/100 WA
10	cases Tignanello 2013	£1980.00 case	96/100 WA
10	cases Tignanello 2012	£1795.00 case	93/100 WA
5	cases Tignanello 2011	£1795.00 case	93/100 WA
3	cases Tignanello 2010	£2200.00 case	94/100 WA
2	cases Tignanello 2009	£2200.00 case	94/100 WA
5	cases Tignanello 2008	£2250.00 case	94/100 WA
2	cases Tignanello 2007	£2295.00 case	95/100 WA

Solaia

2 cases Solaia 2007 £1995.00 per 6/1

The 2007 Solaia saturates the palate with a heady array of super-ripe black cherries, plums, cassis, mocha and sweet French oak. There is an exotic quality to the Solaia I find totally irresistible. Despite its considerable ripeness and opulence, the 2007 Solaia is never heavy, rather it impresses for its extraordinary finesse and balance. Minerals, graphite and crushed rocks frame a long, seductive finish. This is a wonderful Solaia loaded with vintage and vineyard character. The 2007 Solaia is 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Sangiovese and 5% Cabernet Franc, aged in 100% new oak. Anticipated maturity: 2017-2027. **97/100 RP**

3 cases Solaia 2009 £1795.00 case 6/1

2 double mags £2195.00 each

The 2009 Solaia is one of the clear standouts of the vintage. Freshly cut flowers, raspberries, spices, mint and licorice burst from the glass as this fabulous, viscerally thrilling wine shows off its pure class. Today the oak is a bit prominent, but that won't be an issue by the time the wine is ready to drink. In one of my blind tastings, the 2009 Solaia was flat-out great. There is no shortage of pedigree here. The 2009 has calmed down a little from its youth, when it was a much more exuberant wine, and has now begun to close down in bottle. Solaia is 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Sangiovese and 5% Cabernet Franc from a single parcel within the Antinori family's Tignanello vineyard. Anticipated maturity: 2019-2029. **96+/100 Robert Parker**

3 cases Solaia 2010 £1995.00 case 6/1

1 double magnum £2195.00

The 2010 Solaia puts on an incredible show that hits all the senses and keeps your unyielding attention for as long as there is wine in the bottle. There are various ways to describe the bouquet. First, is the wine's sweet side, as this beautiful 75-20-5 blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese and Cabernet Franc delivers ripe cherry, black currant, baking spice and dark chocolate. After that, the

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wine becomes redolent of tobacco, balsam, bay leaf, rum cake and dark licorice. The bouquet is all encompassing and complete. A firmly structured backbone is padded generously by the fleshy richness of its consistency. This is a gorgeous wine that will age for decades. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2040. **97/100 Robert Parker**

5	cases Solaia 2012	£1795.00 case 6/1	95/100 RP
5	cases Solaia 2013	£1850.00 case 6/1	97+/100 RP
5	cases Solaia 2014	£1895.00 case 6/1	95/100 RP
6	cases Solaia 2015	£2295.00 case 6/1	100/100 RP
5	cases Solaia 2016	£2295.00 case 6/1	100/100 RP
2	cases Solaia 2017	£1950.00 case 6/1	95/100 WA
5	cases Solaia 2018	£1695.00 case 6/1	97/100 AG
5	cases Solaia 2019	£1750.00 case 6/1	97/100 RP

We are able to offer the following vintages from **Romano Dal Forno'**. Their Amarone from the celebrated 2010 vintage

James Suckling is the first critic to pass judgement on these wines and describes the 2010 Amarone as possessing *"fabulous potential"* awarding it 97 points.

"The wines of Romano Dal Forno prove to be impossible to duplicate. They show such a high degree of individual personality that they occupy their own school of stylistic expression."

Monica Larner, The Wine Advocate

"A visit to this spotless winery in Illasi is all it takes to understand the maniacal drive for perfection that informs everything the Dal Forno family does."

Antonio Galloni, Vinous

Quantities are even more limited than normal in 2010 and the rigorous attention to detail, in all aspects of the wine making process, is quite simply astonishing.

It takes 7 vines to produce just one bottle of Valpolicella and 10 vines to make a single, very special bottle of Amarone. This combined with Michele Dal Forno's festidious winemaking results in radically unique wines that are some of the most highly awarded in Italy, with an international reputation to match.

"The wines of Romano Dal Forno are always a highlight of my annual tasting calendar. In many regards, these radically unique wines put the wine critic to the test, not the other way around." Monica Larner

10 cases Amorone della Valpolicella 2010 £1695.00 case 6 bottles

Romano dal Forno 2011

10 cases Amarone della Valpolicella £1795.00 case 6/1

2011 Amarone

"A monster, maybe, but a gorgeous one once you allow yourself to sink into its smothering embrace. Wild, dark, opaque. Seared prunes, rosemary, Mexican chocolate, black truffle, wild boar. Drink 2021-2045 Alc 17%" **96 points, Decanter**

"Very dark fruits on the nose with hints of bark and dried flowers. Full body, soft and silky tannins with a chewy finish. Loads of dark chocolate and berry. Flavorful and balanced. Drink now." **95 points, James Suckling**

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Romano dal Forno 2012

10 cases Amorone della Valpolicella £1750.00 case 6/1

2012 Amarone

The 2012 Amarone della Valpolicella Monte Lodoletta is a beautifully complete wine, even at this young stage in its life. You feel the youth of the wine in the tightness of the tannins and in the finely knit texture of its concentrated flavour profile. The big surprise is the wine's fresh acidity that has been carefully safeguarded despite the heat of the vintage and the drying process so deftly executed at this landmark estate. The wine shows no sign of oxidation or evolution, not yet. There is intricate fruit layering with cherry, blackberry, spice and mesquite delivered with such precision, that level of detail defies the very bold and opulent essence of the wine. It has only just started its evolutionary journey. 96/100 Robert Parker

Romano dal Forno 2013

10 cases Amorone della Valpolicella £1695.00 case 6/1

The 2013 Amarone della Valpolicella Monte Lodoletta is my favorite wine in the retrospective, along with the amazing 2011, 2009 and 1996 vintages. This wine was released at the beginning of this year, and because Dal Forno skipped over the 2014 vintage, this is the only Amarone we will see for a while (until the highly anticipated 2015 is released). The 2013 vintage is characterized by a slightly more streamlined mouthfeel (which isn't saying much given the baseline enormity of these wines) with carefully etched aromas of black cherry, rum cake, dark chocolate and toasted espresso. The 2013 vintage was balanced overall without the sudden heat waves we saw in the summers of 2011 and 2012. The grapes finished a slow and steady ripening process over an extended growing season. The effect is graceful and focused. Put this bottle aside in your cellar for the decades to come. 98/100 Robert Parker

Romano dal Forno 2015

5 cases Amorone della Valpolicella £2295.00 case 6/1

The ultimate statement wine from northern Italy is the 2015 Amarone della Valpolicella Monte Lodoletta. The Dal Forno family skipped over the 2014 vintage, and this sunny vintage is worth the wait. Monte Lodoletta is always incredibly high in terms of fruit weight and tannins, but this edition from 2015 appears more integrated in terms of concentration and softer in terms of structure; it's not that the wine is more accessible. It will hold the line for years and decades to come and promises to age gracefully. This vintage is instead more fleshed out and open knit. The bouquet peels back with thick layers of black fruit, spice, campfire embers and toasted coffee bean. It's an expensive bottle for collectors, but you get lots of bang for your buck.

All wines are offered lying IB London.

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