

# PERBACCO WINE CLUB

## 11<sup>th</sup> SHIPMENT: SPRING 2023

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### THE MANIFESTO

**'Sanguis Jovis', AKA 'The Blood of Jupiter'** ➡ This is the Latin name for the most significant and cultivated grape varietal of Tuscany; Sangiovese. This grape was grown by the Etruscans in Tuscany around the 6th century BC and gained popularity during the Roman Empire. There is much documentation since the Middle Ages praising the qualities of the wine, up until the dark period of the devastating wars of the 20th Century: it was with the rebirth of the Italian economy following the depression after WWII, that Sangiovese put the Tuscan flag on the map bringing us Chianti Classico, Vino Nobile, Morellino, Carmignano, and Brunello di Montalcino. Today, these varieties are responsible for making Tuscany known as one of the best wine making region in the world.

**The Family** ➡ While we usually refer to Sangiovese as a *grape varietal*, it would be more correct to consider it as a *family of varietals*. The two most important branches are *Sangiovese Piccolo*, grown outside of Tuscany for more immediate and easier drinking wines, and *Sangiovese Grosso* with its clones of *Brunello(Montalcino)*, *Prugnolo Gentile(Montepulciano)*, *Sangiovese(Chianti Area)*, known for the impeccable quality of the wines produced.

**The most Rock'n'Roll grape of all** ➡ vibrant, intense, rhythmical and rustic; Sangiovese is a true chameleon that produces different results, depending on the soil upon which it is grown, its most typical characteristics in young age are tart cherry, violet, red plum and fig, giving a refreshing aftertaste and a vibrant tannin. In more mature age, Sangiovese changes to maraschino cherry, dried plums, with balsamic and earthy notes and in addition tobacco and leather producing a fulfilling palate of incredible complexity. A grape destined for high-quality wines; a true rockstar and a timeless classic, just like Elvis, The Rolling Stones, The Beatles, Led Zeppelin, David Bowie, Chuck Berry and so on.

**One Grape, infinite typologies of different wines** ➡ With the advent of more modern winemaking practices and a more international audience with different needs, everybody has discovered the incredible versatility of Sangiovese that, like a rockstar chameleon, can fulfill the request for a type of wine for every season, time of the day or meal. This grape provides the wine world a range from surprisingly refreshing sparkling wines, crispy whites and vibrant rosés to the more either subtle or broad and complex reds, up to the intense sweet taste of syrupy Vinsanto.

**Francesco's considerations** ➡ I finally wanted to pay tribute to the most Rock'n'Roll grape varietal of all and invite you to meet 'His Majesty' the Sangiovese, showcasing diverse styles of winemaking in different areas of central Tuscany, the terroir of election of the grape. Offering a vibrant character and a surprising complexity, Sangiovese has stunned the world with the best Brunellos, Chianti Classicos, Vino Nobiles and Supertuscans, showing a great versatility and synergy with the Tuscan terroir.

## MEMBERSHIP PLAN: SILVER

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#### FRANCESCO'S DESCRIPTIONS:

**Fattoi Brunello di Montalcino Docg 2018** Song: **It's only Rock'n'Roll (but I Like it) by The Rolling Stones.** Native of Montalcino for several generations, the Fattoi family controls every aspect of the production of their Brunello in the southern side of Montalcino, where the Orcia and Ombrone rivers meet. Their wines always show the rustic charm of Brunello, combining a broad bouquet and a fulfilling taste typical of the appellation, with authenticity and tradition. The aroma is neat, gratifying, with maraschino cherry, wild rose, wild berries, leather, cocoa, sandalwood and a note that is typical of their wines, graphite/pencil case, due to the rocky soil rich in Galestro(local stone). Palate is pure energy, rock'n'roll at its finest: vibrant, fresh with a great mineral hint and a nicely integrated tannin, for a long finish with a pleasant savoriness combined with a wild berries and sour cherry aftertaste. "I know, it's only Brunello, but I like it, like it, yes I do!" **100% Sangiovese. 1bt in Shipment. Drink Through 2023-2028. Open 4h before. Price range \$43**

**Fattoi Brunello di Montalcino Docg 2017** Song: **Welcome to the Jungle by Guns N' Roses.** A great interpretation of one of the most feared vintages of the last decades, 2017. Late frosts and a 7-months drought challenged the winemakers to step up the game by reducing yields, in order to maintain high quality standards. Intense aromas of ripe fruit such as maraschino cherry and blueberry, potpourri of dried flowers, cedar and sandalwood, cigar tobacco, leather and a marked note of pencil case that is the signature of the house. Palate has great and generous impact, with a lush explosion of tart and maraschino cherry, tannins with a good grip around the back of the lips but great overall balance, with a savory and fresh finish of red-fleshed fruits. A vigorous wine, with groove and great impact, perfectly paired with energetic Rock from Guns N' Roses. **100% Sangiovese. 1 bt in shipment. Drink Through 2023-2028. Open 4h before. Price range \$43**

**Bakkanali Sangiovese Igt n.v.** Song: **Misty Mountain Hop by Led Zeppelin.** The future of Tuscan enology is in the hands of Ugo Fabbri and Sebastian Nasello, whose vision takes form in a splendid terroir, yet to be discovered, the Monte Amiata. The roughness of the Maremma giant shapes an elegant and tasty Sangiovese, unique of its kind, in complete stylistic antithesis but qualitative continuity with nearby Montalcino, where Fabbri and Nasello first established themselves as winemakers. The wine shines red ruby light; the glass is a bouquet of red flowers such as wild rose, violets and geranium: notes of tart cherry, red currants, orange zest, underbrush, graphite and a note of raw meat as result of the rocky and ferrous soil of the Amiata Volcano. Palate is convivial, rhythmical, straightforward and energetic, very much like Led Zeppelin's music. It's fresh and savory, with a well polished tannin and an everlasting sensation of red berries, geranium and Jasmine tea. A unique wine, in which Tuscan tradition and a stylistic melting pot intertwine. By drinking this now, you will be able to say "I was there when it all started". Decant. **100% Sangiovese. 2bts in Shipment . Drink through 2023-2025. Decant 1hr before serving. Price \$35**

**Le Bèrne Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Docg 2019 Song: Fortunate Son by Creedence Clearwater Revival.** The story of the Natalini family is a classic example of generational transition from farming to winemaking, starting at Podere le Bèrne in the early 60s with Mr. Egisto and his son Giuliano (still present with the wife Ada in the everyday life of the winery), passing the baton to the grandkids, Andrea & Laura that are joined now by the young grand-grandson, Federico. Four generations for a traditional Vino Nobile, rich in fruit such as cherry under spirit, red currant, prune, red flowers, with refined notes of balm and underbrush. Palate is rich, succulent and pleasant. The warmth of the alcohol is balanced by a refreshing sensation of plum and red berries, with a firm yet perfectly integrated tannin and a long finish. A classic Vino Nobile, rustic and refined at the same time, perfectly paired with the iconic 70s Rock band CCR. **100% Sangiovese. 1 bt in Shipment. Drink Through 2023-2025. Open 3h Before. Price range: \$26**

**Le Bèrne Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva Docg 2019 Song: Love of my Life by The Queen.** Opulent and concentrated, the wine offers a bouquet of dehydrated prune and blueberry, with balsamic hints of eucalyptus, potpourri of dried flowers, notes of chocolate, tobacco and leather. The sip is generous, warm, rich: an effusion of dried violet and dehydrated fruit. The 15% of Alcohol are well balanced with freshness and a savory finish that intertwine with a firm, yet aristocratic tannin, with a lingering finish of prune and maraschino cherry. A Rock-Operatic wine, perfectly paired with the album 'A night at the Opera' by the Queen. **100% Sangiovese. 1 bt in Shipment. Drink Through 2023-2028. Open 4h Before. Price range: \$35**

**Lisini Brunello di Montalcino Docg 2018 Song: Sunshine of Your Love by Cream.** One of the "7 sisters", aka founding wineries of Brunello di Montalcino, Lisini is a fierce representative of the western side of Montalcino, in the slope of Sant'Angelo in Colle where the warm sun and the breeze from the Tuscan shore give birth to lush, elegant and rich wines. Intense in the glass, an explosion of blackberry jam and raspberry, with a marked note of mediterranean scrub of thyme and sage that is the 'fil rouge' of Lisini, with red rose, potpourri and olive tree leaf to enhance the complexity and quality of the fantastic bouquet. Broad structure, succulent, marked by a mouthwatering freshness typical of 2018 vintage: an effusion of red roses and blackberry leads to a savory finish with an elegant, creamy tannin. Fantastic Brunello, one of the finest expressions of the western side of Montalcino, as lush, deep and intense as Eric Clapton's riff in this iconic song by Cream. **100% Sangiovese. 1bt in Shipment. Drink Through 2023-2029. Open 4h before. Price range \$59**

**Lisini Rosso di Montalcino Doc 2021 Song: Rock the Casbah by The Clash.** It would be reductive to think about Rosso di Montalcino as a cheaper version that recalls its 'older brother' Brunello: the best winemakers of the area, conceive it as a different wine, with its own personality and characteristics of brilliant and more immediate version of Sangiovese. Bouquet is elegant, intense, with notes of dark ripe fruit that recall blackberry jam and black currants, with hints of cocoa, violet and an intriguing note of mediterranean scrub (thyme, sage). Palate is an explosion of blackberries and raspberry, with a refreshing and long lasting finish with a polished tannin. **100% Sangiovese. 1bt in Shipment. Drink Through 2023-2026. Open 2h before. Price range \$26**

**Guidotti Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Docg 2019: Song: You Shook Me All Night Long by AC/DC.** The new sensation of Montepulciano is definitely this micro-estate run by the Guidotti cousins, Massimiliano and Daniele, who after many years of selling grapes to some of the most popular wineries in the area, have decided to start labeling their own Vino Nobile, in 2018. This wine is only their second vintage as winemakers and it is already one of the bestselling bottles in town, despite the very small production. Intensity typical of the area of production with notes of tart cherry, orange blossoms, cocoa, leather and a ferrous minerality due to the soil rich in iron that recalls raw meat. In the palate is fresh and floral, with hints of orange peel and maraschino cherry. The tannin is still a bit edgy, like an AC/DC guitar riff by Angus Young, but the wine is savory, with a pleasant finish of pomegranate and red currant. I'd suggest to wait until September before opening, so that the tannin will be tamed by its first summer spent in the bottle, the best cure for the impetuosity of young Sangiovese (this lot was bottled on February 2023). **100% Sangiovese. 1bt in Shipment. Drink Through: September 2023-2027. Open 3h before. Price range \$28**

**Riecine Chianti Classico Docg 2021 Song: Johnny B. Goode by Chuck Berry.** One of the true leaders of the fantastic renaissance of Chianti Classico, Riecine is located in the heart of Chianti, in Gaiole. Their wines are a true ode to Sangiovese, with great intensity, precision, freshness, elegance, fragrance and a compulsive drinkability. If you close your eyes while drinking Riecine, you'll daydream about strolling around the breathtaking hills of central Tuscany. Their take on 2021 is pure Rock'n'Roll with notes of tart cherry, blackberry, red rose, black currant, a slight peppery note and an herbaceous touch of grass, with a twist of Campari character. As energetic and vibrant as the guitar riff by Chuck Berry: in the palate, freshness is predominant and tannin is a bit chalky but the finish is a marvelous effusion of red fruits such as red currants and tart cherry, with a sapid, mouthwatering twist. This Chianti bit cocky right now in its youth, but with more aging time it will get more complex and refined; that said, as I am writing I am enjoying every sip of it. **100% Sangiovese. 1bt in Shipment. Drink Through 2023-2027. Open 2h before. Price \$32**

**Riecine Chianti Classico Docg 2020 Song: Breathe by Pink Floyd .** A stunning Chianti Classico of quintessential elegance: maraschino cherry, wild rose, violet, herbaceous hints, chocolate, tobacco and a classy note of underbrush leaning towards the truffle aroma. The glass is so satisfying to smell that creates addition, a fantastic expression of Sangiovese combined with the incredible terroir of Gaiole. In the palate this Chianti is succulent, lush and joyful, it rewards the mouth with grace and elegance: gentle freshness with a delicate tannin and a mouthwatering aftertaste of red flowers and tart cherry. Perfectly paired with the most sophisticated Rock band of all times. **100% Sangiovese. 1bt in Shipment. Drink Through 2023-2027. Open 3h before. Price Range \$36**

**Tenuta Carleone Chianti Classico Docg 2020 Song: Tiny Dancer by Elton John.** It is with the incredible encounter of Mr Karl Egger, Austrian entrepreneur, and Sean O'Callaghan, English enlightened winemaker, that Radda in Chianti has now some of the most quintessential, pure and fantastic Sangioveses of the world. The unlikely duo, driven by the goal of producing top quality wines with respect for the unique terroir of Radda, are now rising stars in the firmament of Italian wines, despite having started their fantastic journey only recently, in 2012. This Chianti Classico is elegant and expressive. It presents a great intensity of aromas of the finest quality, with notes of maraschino cherry, blood orange, violet, chocolate and hints of underbrush, pencil case and black olive. In the palate it dances like a graceful ballerina on the subtle line of balance between freshness and fruit: pomegranate, currant, raspberry and a fine-grained tannin, with a mouthwatering, savory finish. Radda in a glass, a rare gem, the majestic triumph of this great terroir and Sangiovese. **100% Sangiovese. 1bt in Shipment. Drink Through 2023-2026. Open 3h before. Price \$34**