



Red Wine
Sangiovese
Sustainable
Dry
Full Bodied
750ml
14% alc./vol

Cortonesi Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2010

Tuscany, Italy

96 points - Wine Align

\$130.00 per bottle (\$780.00 per case)

6 bottles per case

CASE SIZE

6 x 750ml

QUANTITY

- 1 +

Only 6 items in stock!


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Rich and Earthy

The Cortonesi family has owned the La Mannella farm in Montalcino for decades and are devoted to the production of Brunello di Montalcino.

The Riserva is made only in the best vintages. The grapes for this wine are a selection of only the very best from across the Cortonesi vineyards. A luscious, dark crimson Brunello with bountiful and intense aromas of red fruit, blackberry, spice, leather and cedar that lingers. The wine is clean, sharp but bold and generous at the same time. There is a touch of bitter almond, followed by softer tones of red berry and spice on the palate, with a long, lingering finish.

Keep it simple in flavour but rich in protein - rosemary crusted leg of lamb or roasted pheasant or squab (step up your game by adding truffles!) Or go for the classic regional pairing bistecca alla fiorentina, Tuscan-style steak. Well aged Brunello can also be thoroughly enjoyed on its own, with a selection of salumi and hard cheeses.

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About the Winery

Cortonesi

The “La Mannella” farm, owned by the Cortonesi family, covers a surface of 56 hectares (138 acres), eight (19 acres) of which are especially devoted to the production of “Brunello di Montalcino”. Its wine-making activity started at the beginning of the seventies, and its vineyards are placed in one of the most valuable areas of the region, both north and south-east from Montalcino.



The Cortonesi family has been making wine since the 1970's however at the time the wine was simply for family, friends and neighbours enjoyment. In 1985 they began to offer their wines commercially. It is strictly a family business, and works according to tradition, while also employing modern technologies that help to enhance the quality of the wines made. Tommaso, in his early 30s, is the third-generation winemaker at the winery that was started by his grandfather. The favorable location of its vineyards, and the rocky soil where they are planted, all contribute to the making of a deep and elegant Brunello. Tommaso says “I’m a lucky man who has been given the opportunity to realize my dream and continue my family’s efforts making wine in the land where I was born.”

Press Reviews

Wine Align

96 points - Michael Godel

Now talking post-aggressive behaviour in Riserva not yet advanced ahead of time. There are secondary aromatic hints but the tannins remain in tact, charged and controlling. There’s a circular motion happening here as fruit and acidity whirl around, outrunning the tannins or at least attempting to. All the sweet things that grow wild and are picked to accent your braises are swirled into the aromatic potpourri of this fine sangiovese of whispers, shadows and silhouettes. It’s a chiaroscuro of a Brunello, all in and we are in turn fully engaged. Last tasted October 2019.

There are few Brunello vintages afforded more attention in the last 10-plus, certainly '04 and '06, increasingly better even from '08 and looking forward towards what greatness will come in 2015. Yes but not solely magnified through the lens of patience and bottle time, from 2010 La Mannella has coupled upon and layered over itself like compressed fruit and puff pastry. Though it begs for drink now attention, another seven years will be needed before it can safely be labeled as uncoiled and to reveal all that is wrapped so tight. Rich is not the operative but

unmistakeable as Cortonesi it is; that natural clay soil funk of resolution and fully hydrated chalk. This is to sangiovese as Les Preuses Grand Cru Chablis or Rangen Grand Cru Alsace are to Riesling. It carries in its pocket the absolute meaning and genetic responsibility of where it comes from, with a curative and restorative ability to get you lost. Drink 2019-2031. Tasted February 2017.

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