

GREAT WINES OF ITALY TASTING TICKET

HK\$488 PER PERSON | 90 MINUTES | 30 WINES TO TASTE

Featuring 30 top-rated wines, from famous Chiantis and Brunellos to amazing Super Tuscans and Barolos, this Tasting Ticket, inspired by the Great Wines of Italy Grand Tastings, is dedicated to showcasing new releases available on the market and presenting the best of Italy! The tastings are a tour de force spanning many of the greatest wine producing regions, from northern and central Italy to the south and islands. This is an unmissable opportunity for industry professionals and Italian wine lovers in Hong Kong.

WHITE

#1 Cusumano Etna Bianco Alta Mora 2017

Honeysuckle and dried-lemon aromas and hints of straw follow through to a full body with lemon curd and dried fruit and just the right hint of citrus at the end. A rich and powerful Etna white, without a heavy use of oak. Drink now.

93pts

RED

#2 Cordero di Montezemolo Barolo Monfalletto 2016

The fruit here straddles the cross-junction between red and black, delivering black raspberries, red and dark plums and cherries and double-colored licorice stick. Tightly wound with stringy tannins and loads of savory undertones to match boisterous cherries and berries. Medium-to full-bodied and very minerally on the finish. Drink from 2023.

94pts

95pts

#3 Marchesi di Barolo Barolo Sarmassa 2017

Aromas of tar, meat, ripe strawberry and some fruit tea follow through to a medium to full body with very fine tannins that are chewy and intense. Fresh and juicy at the finish. Better in 2023 and onwards.

94pts

#4 Vietti Barolo Lazzarito 2016

Very complex aromas of dried strawberries, fresh mushrooms and some sour cherries. It's full-bodied, yet tight and extremely tannic, yet ever so fine and polished. Wonderful length. Strength with finesse for a young Barolo. Better after 2022.

#5 Castello di Bossi Chianti Classico Gran Selezione 2018

A firm, silky red with cherry, blackberry and chocolate. Hints of coffee and toffee, too. Medium body with round, creamy tannins and a flavorful finish. Savory and delicious with pure fruit. Drink or hold.

94pts

#6 Castiglion del Bosco Brunello di Montalcino 2015

Wonderful aromas of flowers, plums, terracotta and white pepper. Intense, yet ever so subtle. Medium to full body, firm and silky tannins and a long and intense finish. Shows excellent length. Drink after 2021.

97pts

#7 Ciacci Piccolomini d'Aragona Brunello di Montalcino 2016

Lots of red and blue fruit to this, evolving into wet leaves, freshly turned soil and brewed tea. Light herbal notes. Sweet cherries, too. It's full bodied with silky, firm tannins. More minerality and tea notes on the finish. Elegant and driven. Drink after 2023.

95pts

#8 Altesino Brunello di Montalcino Montosoli 2014

There's underlying, subtle fruit to this with fresh citrus undertones. Focused and fine. Medium-bodied, linear and bright and a beautiful finish. Drink and enjoy.

93pts

#9 Cordella Brunello di Montalcino 2017

Lots of ripe berries and plums on the nose with some dried lemon rind. Full-bodied and layered with velvety tannins and a tangy undertone. Shows both richness and freshness. Attractive for the vintage. Drink or hold.

91pts

#10 Umani Ronchi Montepulciano d'Abruzzo Centovie 2015

A ripe and attractive montepulciano that shows dark cherries, blackberry compote and vanilla. Fullbodied, round and chewy with lots of essence-like fruit. Drink now.

92pts

#11 Supremus Toscana 2016

Pretty aromas of rosehip, pomegranate, raspberry, blueberry, orange zest and cedar. It's mediumbodied with sleek, fine tannins. Wonderfully silky and juicy with an abundance of freshly crushed berries. Very fine. One of the finest wines they have made. Drink or hold.

94pts

#12 Piccini Toscana Sasso al Poggio 2016

A fruity red that shows raspberry fool, glazed cherries and burnt oranges. Medium-bodied, soft and fresh on the finish. Sangiovese, merlot and cabernet sauvignon. Drink now.

92pts

#13 Villa a Sesta Toscana Vas Gold Label 2017

Sweet berries and black cherries on the nose with flowers and sandalwood. Full-bodied, very compact and structured. Chewy, yet the tannins are very well-polished. Give it time to open. Try after 2023.

93pts

#14 Argiano Toscana Non Confunditur 2019

Dark berries with walnuts, hazelnuts and white pepper on the nose, following through to a full body with ultra-fine tannins and a chewy yet refined finish. Needs two or three years to come together. Drink after 2023.

93pts

#15 Bibi Graetz Toscana Testamatta 2018

Very subtle aromas of cherries, bark, black truffles and flowers. Hints of crushed stones. It's fullbodied, yet very tight and solid with a very tight, minerally structure. Very long and intense. Racy and bright at the end. Powerful, orange-peel and citrus-fruit undertones. Salty and minerally. This needs time to develop in the bottle. Extremely structured. A wine not to touch until after 2023.

97pts

#16 Vallepicciola Toscana Pievasciata 2016

A ripe but attractive red that shows dark plums, roasted herbs, cedar and tobacco. Full body, ripe and round tannins and a chewy finish. Drink from 2023.

92pts

#17 Frescobaldi Toscana Mormoreto 2017

A big, rich red with blackberry, chocolate and walnut aromas and flavors. It's full and layered. Just a baby. Reflects the ripeness of the vintage, yet shows energy. Better after 2022.

95pts

#18 Petrolo Valdarno di Sopra Torrione 2019

Very perfumed with sweet-berry and fresh-flower aromas that already show brightness and beauty. Perfumed. Full-bodied with very well-integrated tannins and pure, vivid fruit at the finish. This is all in finesse and depth. Drinkable now, but better in a couple of years.

95pts

#19 Petrolo Valdarno di Sopra Galatrona 2018

Aromas of blackberries, black olives, green olives and violets. It's really aromatic. Full-bodied, yet so precise and polished with creamy, layered tannins that caress your palate. It's extremely persistent and goes on for minutes. Only 40% new wood. Really balanced. All about purity and complexity From organically grown grapes. Try after 2023.

98pts

#20 Petra Toscana Zingari 2018

A fresh, vivid red with cherries, currants and hints of hazelnuts and chocolate. Medium body. Racy finish. Like the vivid acidity that runs through this. Drink or hold.

92pts

#21 Argentiera Bolgheri Superiore 2015

A delightful nose of creme de cassis, hot stones and crushed violets and spices. Full body, chewy and super polished tannins and a long finish, which really takes off thanks to electric acidity. An essay in balance and depth. Best ever. Puts Argentiera with the best of the best in Tuscany. A blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot and cabernet franc.

99pts

#22 Podere Sapaio Bolgheri Volpolo 2019

A delicious, juicy red with currant and berry character. Some sage undertones. Medium-bodied with medium, round tannins and a fruity finish. From organically grown grapes. Delicious now, but better in a year or two.

92pts

#23 Tenuta Del Buonamico Toscana Cercatoja 2017

Attractive and lightly velvety red with berry, light chocolate and cedar character. Medium-bodied with medium, round tannins and a savory finish. Nicely austere on the finish, giving this blended red a level of excitement. Drink or hold.

93pts

#24 Tenuta San Guido Toscana Guidalberto 2019

Plum, currant and fresh-herb aromas follow through to a medium to full body, firm and silky tannins and a long, linear finish. It's clear and already delicious, but another year or two will improve it.

91pts

#25 Argiano Toscana Solengo 2018

Blackberries, spice, walnuts and currants on the nose, following through to a full bodied, tight and dense palate, yet it's agile and linear at the finish. Firm, layered tannins. This needs time to come around in the bottle. One for the cellar. Try after 2024.

96pts

#26 Querciabella Toscana Palafreno 2017

Fresh tobacco and berries come through on the nose. Some slate, too. It's full-bodied with very well-integrated tannins that flow across the palate. Fresh and vivid merlot. Chewy. From organically grown grapes. Vegan. Needs some time. Drink in 2023 and onwards.

94pts

#27 San Valentino Syrah Rubicone Mascarin 2016

A layered, rich wine with plenty of berries and chocolate and a hint of toasted wood. Full body. Lots of blue fruit and earth come out at the same time. Lovely, creamy tannins. From organically grown grapes. Drink or hold.

93pts

#28 Brancaia Toscana Ilatraia 2017

A big, rich red with lots of blackberry and chocolate character. Walnuts, too. It's full-bodied. Lots of 94pts blueberry and chocolate at the finish. Needs a few years to come together. Better after 2022.

#29 Regio Cantina Aglianico del Vulture Superiore Campo Melograno Riserva 2013

Really floral nose here with hints of violets, jasmine and crushed blueberries. Hints of orange peel, too. Full body, polished tannins and a precise and balanced finish. Best from 2020.

92pts

#30 Vinosia Aglianico Irpinia Neromora 2018

A tight, fruity young aglianico with cherry, vanilla and some blanched almond. It's medium-bodied, 91pts tight and chewy. Drink now.