

GREAT WINES OF ITALY TASTING TICKET

HK\$488 PER PERSON | 90 MINUTES | 30 TOP ITALY WINES

Featuring 30 top-rated wines, from famous Chiantis and Brunellos to amazing Super Tuscans, Barolos and Amarones, 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 Tornatore Etna Bianco Pietrarizzo 2019

Fresh pineapple, apricot stone, lemon and sea shell on the nose. It's medium-bodied with crisp acidity and a textured, layered palate. Focused and delicious. Carricante and catarratto. Drink now.

93pts

#2 Cantina Terlan Alto Adige Terlaner Nova Domus Riserva 2018

The complex, toasty, fresh-herb and beeswax nose gently leads you into the generous and silky palate that has great textural complexity and spot-on balance through the very long, supple and mineral finish. A cuvée of pinot bianco, chardonnay and sauvignon blanc that dates back to this producer's foundation in 1893.

95pts

RED

#3 Cordero di Montezemolo Barolo Monfalletto 2017

This shows a lot of tar and roses with dried strawberries as well. Full-bodied with very, very fine tannins that coat your mouth, yet they are so velvety and set up the overall, focused and pure-fruit impression of the wine. Fantastic young Barolo. From organically grown grapes. Better in 2026, when the tannins will be more resolved.

97pts

#4 Mirafiore Barolo Riserva 2007

Lots of ripe fruit, coffee and spice character. Full body, velvety tannins and a long and flavorful finish. So much going on here. A beautiful wine now and will improve many years in the future.

94pts

#5 Cecchi Chianti Classico Riserva di Famiglia 2017

This is a very intense, layered red with berry, chocolate and hazelnut aromas and flavors. Full body, creamy and lightly chewy tannins and a flavorful finish. Powerful at the end. Best ever? Drink now.

94pts

#6 Valdicava Brunello di Montalcino 2016

Attractive aromas of balsamic, tea, dark berry, walnut and coffee bean. Full-bodied, yet tight and very intense with ripe tannins that are fine and reserved. Racy and polished. Beautiful length to this wine. Needs at least two to three years to come. Try after 2024.

98pts

#7 Eredi Fuligni Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2015

A tight, linear red with plums, chocolate and walnuts and some forest-floor and porcini mushroom undertones. Complex and aromatic. Full-bodied with dense, chewy tannins that are intense and powerful. Flavorful and long. Opulent. Don't drink before 2024.

99pts

#8 Pio Cesare Barolo 2017

Plenty of blackberry and black cherry on the nose with violet and lavender undertones. Full-bodied with powerful tannins that flow across the palate. Ever enveloping and imposing, yet polished and impressive. Drink after 2024.

95pts

#9 Querciabella Toscana Camartina 2017

This is very dense and structured, but it has very energetic and intense tannins that provide energy and focus. It's medium-to full-bodied with so much currant, slate, dried-mushroom and bark character. Flavorful finish. Cabernet sauvignon and sangiovese. From organically grown grapes. Vegan. Try after 2023, but already exciting.

95pts

#10 Tenuta Sette Ponti Toscana Crognolo 2019

Sweet berries, flowers and cedar on the nose. Some leather, too. It's medium-to full-bodied with lightly chewy tannins and a long, flavorful finish. Shows tension and brightness. Excellent structure. Drinkable now, but better in 2023.

94pts

#11 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

#12 Argentiera Bolgheri Superiore 2017	95pts
A fresh, racy 2017 with blackberries, blackcurrants and licorice. The flavors on the palate are very similar, but with fresh-mushroom undertones. It's full and bright on the finish. Pretty, velvety tannins. Needs time to soften. Try after 2022.	
#13 Bibi Graetz Toscana Colore 2019	99pts
This is so perfumed and seductive, with blackberries, cherries, dried flowers and perfume. It's full-bodied and tight with very fine tannins. Really structured and long. Superb tannin texture. So fine, yet so powerful. This is an incredible combination of fruit and structure. Old-vine magic. Drink after 2026.	
#14 Podere Sapaio Bolgheri Volpola 2019	92pts
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.	
#15 Le Macioche Brunello di Montalcino 2016	94pts
Very pretty cherry and blackberry character with crushed stone and lavender. It's full-bodied with firm, chewy tannins and a long, flavorful finish. Tight and minerally. Better after 2023.	
#16 Castello Banfi Brunello di Montalcino Poggio alle Mura 2015	97pts
Lots of dried bark, cinnamon stick, forest floor and earth add to an impression of dried cherries and sandalwood. But there are also hints of caramelized oranges and preserved lemons. The attack on the palate takes immediate effect; the powerful tannins pucker the edges of the mouth with imposing depth, but equally fascinating detail. This is a robust, take-no-hostages style of Brunello with a modern twist of finesse and tension. Drink from 2025.	
#17 Vinosia Taurasi Santandrea 2015	92pts
A juicy and tannic wine, offering lots of berry and oyster-shell character with some ash and stone undertones. It's full-bodied and chewy with a flavorful finish. A little austere at the end, but impressive. Drink now.	
#18 Castelli del Grevepesa Chianti Classico Gran Selezione Clemente VII 2016	92pts
This is a very structured and vertical wine with intense, fine tannins that take you down the palate. It's medium-to full-bodied with fresh-mushroom, cedar and cherry character. A little subdued now. Drink or hold.	
#19 Rocca delle Macie Chianti Classico Gran Selezione Sergio Zingarelli 2016	95pts
Lovely sweet fruit with plums and cherries, as well as some walnut and smoke character. Fine, polished tannins. It's medium-to full-bodied with firm, creamy tannins and a fruity finish. Delicious now, but will improve with age.	
#20 Marchesi di Barolo Barolo Cannubi 2014	94pts
Cannubi in great form here. Plenty of fragrance, as well as aromas and flavors of spice-coated red cherries with oak adding further interest. The palate has a supple, suave feel to it. Really cruises smoothly into the finish. Drink or hold.	
#21 Castello di Monsanto Chianti Classico 2019	94pts
Sweet-berry, cherry and orange-peel aromas and flavors. Full-bodied with lightly chewy tannins and a fresh, vivid finish. A dusty mouth feel to it. Tangy at the end. So solid. Will age beautifully. Drink or hold.	
#22 S. Michael-Eppan Pinot Nero Alto Adige 2018	95pts
A bright and fruity red with plum, strawberry and cherry aromas and flavors. Medium body, delicate finish. Drink now.	
#23 Capezzana Villa di Capezzana Carmignano 2018	94pts
Blackberry, orange-peel, plum and mushroom aromas follow through to a full body with round and chewy tannins. Lightly dusty. Needs time to soften, but very pretty and complete. From organically grown grapes.	
#24 Balerin Amarone della Valpolicella Organic 2016	92pts
Aromas of semi-dried black berries with a hint of eucalyptus-tinged oak, following through to a full to medium, silky body with an intense line of fruit, acidity and firm tannin. From organically grown grapes. Not overly complex, but tight, intense and balanced. Best from 2023.	
#25 Donnachiara Aglianico Irpinia 2019	93pts
Aromas of berries, balsamic and hints of spices follow through to a medium to full body, firm tannins and a fresh, clear finish. Vivid and clean. Drink now.	
#26 Tenimenti d'Alessandro Syrah Toscana IL Bosco 2016	92pts
Aromas of meat, berry and cedar follow through to a medium body with firm tannins and a silky, refined finish. Some dried herbs, such as sage and thyme, at the end. Tight at the moment. Better after 2022.	
#27 Siro Pacenti Brunello di Montalcino PS Riserva 2010	97pts
Incredibly perfumed and vibrant with dried berries, flowers and dried strawberries. Full body, a velvety texture and an intense and rich palate. So much richness and length. Better in 2018, but wonderful to taste now.	

#28 Ciacci Piccolomini d'Aragona Brunello di Montalcino Pianrosso 2016

98pts

Lots going on here with black plums, ripe cherries, cedar, smoke and cocoa on the nose. Ash, chocolate, crushed walnuts and some praline. Mushrooms. This has firm, ripe tannins and a full body. Flavorful and juicy finish. Very structured. Drink after 2025.

#29 Bruno Giacosa Barolo 2016

94pts

The berry and tar character is already coming through clearly here. It shows readiness and focus. Full-bodied with firm, silky tannins and attractive orange-peel and spice notes, turning to flowers. Chewy, yet polished and pretty. This comes from the young vineyards on the estate. Drinkable now, but better after 2022.

#30 Roberto Voerzio Barolo La Serra 2017

98pts

Sweet berry with light tar and hazelnut on the nose. It's full-bodied with creamy, chewy tannins that are fine-grained and lead you down to a long, energetic finish. It goes on and on. Drink after 2025.