

## Bruce Sanderson's Recommended Wines From Tuscany

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### TOP VALUES

| WINE                                                                                                                                                                                                                | SCORE | PRICE      |
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| <b>CASTELLO DI MONSANTO Toscana Monrosso 2015</b><br>Heady flavors of cassis, blackberry, violet and ink mark this intense red, which is powerful yet fruity and fresh. Syrah blend.                                | 93    | \$15       |
| <b>RODÁNO Chianti Classico 2013</b><br>Fresh and aromatic, this balanced red delivers black cherry, blackberry and spice flavors, allied to a juicy texture.                                                        | 91    | \$20       |
| <b>DOGA DELLE CLAVULE Morellino di Scansano 2015</b><br>There is a fine interplay between the fruit and earthy, savory notes in this red, with cherry, strawberry, earth and iron flavors.                          | 91    | \$19       |
| <b>AMPELEIA Costa Toscana Unlirto 2015</b><br>Light-weight, yet intense and concentrated, boasting cherry, herb and earth flavors. Alicante Nero and Carignano.                                                     | 90    | \$20<br>1L |
| <b>AVIGNONESI Rosso di Montepulciano 2015</b><br>An elegant red is still firm, balancing cherry, leather, tobacco and earth notes with a vibrant structure.                                                         | 90    | \$17       |
| <b>BOCELLI Sangiovese Toscana 2015</b><br>Raspberry and bilberry flavors are the main themes in this red, with supporting notes of spice, earth and tobacco leaf.                                                   | 90    | \$19       |
| <b>CASTELLO DI BOSSI Chianti Classico 2013</b><br>This rich red shows pure flavors of cherry and strawberry, with tobacco and leafy tea accents and a mouthwatering finish.                                         | 90    | \$20       |
| <b>LA BRACCESCA Rosso di Montepulciano Sabazio 2015</b><br>Fresh cherry, almond, smoke and spice flavors highlight this red, which shows purity and a natural sweetness, with fine balance.                         | 90    | \$14       |
| <b>CASTELLARE DI CASTELLINA Chianti Classico 2015</b><br>Complex and balanced, with intense ripe cherry, wet limestone and wild herb aromas backed by leather, tobacco and tar flavors.                             | 90    | \$24       |
| <b>DIEVOLE Chianti Classico 2014</b><br>Cherry and earth flavors are accented by hints of chocolate, leather, tobacco and spice, allied to a round profile.                                                         | 90    | \$22       |
| <b>MARCHESI DE' FRESCOBALDI Vermentino Toscana Ammiraglia Massovivo 2016</b><br>This round white evokes white peach, melon and straw flavors, with a grapefruit hint. Beautifully balanced, fresh and approachable. | 90    | \$20       |
| <b>MELINI Chianti Classico Terrarossa 2013</b><br>Balanced and expressive, showing cherry, almond, tobacco and earth flavors, supported by dense tannins. Remains fresh and vibrant.                                | 90    | \$18       |
| <b>MOCALI Rosso di Montalcino 2015</b><br>Shows power and density, with a burr of tannins supporting cherry, iron, leather and underbrush flavors.                                                                  | 90    | \$24       |
| <b>MONTENIDOLI Vernaccia di San Gimignano Tradizionale 2014</b><br>Complex and smooth, this white displays roasted almond, earth, wax and chamomile aromas, showing a savory character on the finish.               | 90    | \$22       |
| <b>POLIZIANO Rosso di Montepulciano 2015</b><br>Opens with ripe plum and cherry fruit, yet this red also has a brooding side, with earth and iron elements adding depth.                                            | 90    | \$15       |
| <b>RENIERI Rosso di Montalcino 2013</b><br>An enticing version, boasting sweet cherry, berry, spice and licorice flavors. Round, generous and juicy.                                                                | 90    | \$20       |

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| <b>ROCCA DI MONTEGROSSI Chianti Classico 2015</b><br>A smoky note runs through this intense, powerful red, along with tar, leather, black cherry and iron flavors. Dense and juicy.                   | 90    | \$23  |
| <b>RUFFINO Toscana Modus 2013</b><br>This is slightly rustic, with cherry, leather and eucalyptus flavors. Firm, concentrated and chewy on the lingering finish. Sangiovese blend.                    | 90    | \$25  |
| <b>SALCHETO Vino Nobile di Montepulciano 2014</b><br>This round version is laced with cherry, spice, leather, earth and tobacco flavors, showing grip on the finish.                                  | 90    | \$25  |
| <b>SANTA CRISTINA Chianti Superiore 2015</b><br>Rich and aromatic, boasting cherry, wild herb, tobacco and spice flavors, with a solid swath of tannins on the finish. Sangiovese.                    | 90    | \$16  |
| <b>SIMONE SANTINI Vernaccia di San Gimignano Tenuta Le Calcinaie 2015</b><br>A bright, juicy version, offering floral, peach, grapefruit and honey aromas and flavors. Pure and elegant.              | 90    | \$18  |
| <b>SELVAPIANA Chianti Rufina 2015</b><br>Pure cherry aromas and flavors are enhanced by a smoky element in this juicy, round red, with hints of earth and mineral.                                    | 90    | \$20  |
| <b>TENUTA DI SESTA Rosso di Montalcino 2015</b><br>Packed with sweet cherry and strawberry flavors, this red is well-structured, with leather, earth and tobacco notes.                               | 90    | \$13  |
| <b>TERENZI Morellino di Scansano 2015</b><br>Cherry, pear and black pepper notes mark this rich red, which turns more austere by the lingering finish.                                                | 90    | \$18  |
| <b>CASTELLO D'ALBOLA Chianti Classico 2013</b><br>Vibrant and long, this shows grip to the cherry, strawberry, iron and black pepper flavors, finishing with austerity and persistence.               | 89    | \$19  |
| <b>CAPEZZANA Toscana Monna Nera 2015</b><br>Elegant and balanced, with graphite, cherry and rose flavors, echoing the fruit and mineral elements on the aftertaste. Sangiovese blend.                 | 89    | \$10  |
| <b>NOZZOLE Chardonnay Toscana Le Bruniche 2016</b><br>A floral version, this evokes rose and lily notes, along with apricot, grapefruit and spice flavors. Delicate yet persistent.                   | 89    | \$17  |
| <b>FATTORIA SAN FABIANO Chianti Conti Borghini Baldovinetti 2015</b><br>There are ample cherry and currant flavors in this red, but also a base of firm, dusty tannins, with tobacco and earth notes. | 89    | \$15  |
| <b>CASTELLO BANFI Pinot Grigio Toscana San Angelo 2015</b><br>This creamy-textured white is well-knit and harmonious, showing peach, apple and light grapefruit flavors, with bright acidity.         | 88    | \$19  |
| <b>CA' DEL SARTO Toscana Ardente 2015</b><br>Enticing aromas of cherry, plum, leather and earth accent the sweet, ripe fruit in this open red. Sangiovese blend.                                      | 88    | \$11  |
| <b>TENUTA DI TRECCIANO Chianti Colli Senesi 2016</b><br>This red evokes cherry and currant flavors, with a hint of tobacco and modest tannins, picking up light spice notes on the finish.            | 88    | \$11  |
| <b>AIA VECCHIA Toscana Lagone 2015</b><br>Black currant, violet and cedar flavors are expressive in this red, while the fluid profile keeps it lively. Merlot blend.                                  | 88    | \$15  |