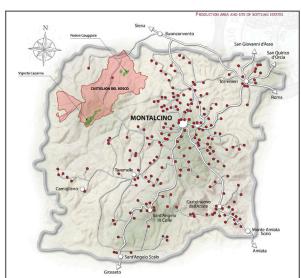


2017 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO

Castiglion del Bosco is one of the most prominent producers in Montalcino, both for the history of the estate and for its size, with 5,000 acres unchanged in the last 400 years. In 1967, when the Consorzio del Brunello di Montalcino was born, Castiglion del Bosco was one of its 25 founding members. This extraordinary property whose origin dates back to the 12th century was acquired by Massimo Ferragamo in 2003, who in turn totally restored the property to its original glory.

As Castiglion del Bosco's most representative wine, Brunello di Montalcino is an example of the Sangiovese grape's perfect symbiosis with the terroir of Montalcino.



Montalcino Production Area



Brunello di Montalcino 2017 V CERTIFIED ORGANIC VINEYARD

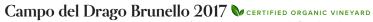
Brunello 2017 has certainly enjoyed the benefits of a careful selection in the parcels (including the Millecento vineyard). The wine has a wide nose. It maintains crisp fruit and floral notes. In the mouth it is elegant, complete and supported by an excellent acidity.

94 POINTS Aromas of ripe berries and plums with some flowers and nutmeg follow through to a full body with round tannins and a juicy finish. Chewy, but friendly and succulent. Excellent 2017, despite the dry growing season. Better in a year or two.

93 POINTS VINOUS The 2017 Brunello di Montalcino pulls you close with a bouquet of crushed ashen stone and dusty dried roses giving way to bright cherries complemented by a flourish of sour citrus. It floods the palate with silken waves of ripe red and black fruits over a savory, salty core of minerals and brisk acids that keeps the expression surprisingly fresh. It's persistent and concentrated, yet the harmonious structural build should carry the 2017 over medium-term cellaring. Castiglion del Bosco did a fantastic job finding balance in this difficult vintage. Of note is that this was tasted from the same bottle a full 48 hours later, and only improved.



The Castiglion del Bosco project is a dream created by Massimo Ferragamo of Italy's celebrated leather and fashion family. The property includes a state-of-the-art winery and a luxury hotel. The 2017 Brunello di Montalcino unfolds to reveal textbook aromas of black fruit and ripe cherry. For sure, the wine embraces a soft and contemporary personality with a good amount of fruit weight, oak spice and tannins. It registers 15% alcohol. The warm 2017 vintage brings out the softer, richer side of this Sangiovese from galestro soils.



Campo del Drago 2017 is surprisingly fresh on the nose with floral and citrus notes. The perfectly completed phenolic maturity is distinguished in the mouth, with a tense and long finish. The wine has no bitter notes, typical of the 2017 vintage.



Subtle cherry, orange-peel and floral notes on the nose. Medium body, firm tannins and a long, fresh finish. Shows intensity and structure with length. Linear and fresh. Minerally. Try after 2023.



If you consider all the glorious vineyard sites in Montalcino, Campo del Drago must be one of the most beautiful. The vines sit on a flat plateau surrounded by wild forests with views that extend south all the way to the Tyrrhenian Sea and the sleepy farming town of Grosseto. The site is just spectacular, and cooling elevations reach 430 meters above sea level. The mid-weight 2017 Brunello di Montalcino Campo del Drago reflects the sun-drenched nature of its namesake vineyard with ripe cherry, plum cake and mild oak spice. Production is 6,000 bottles.

