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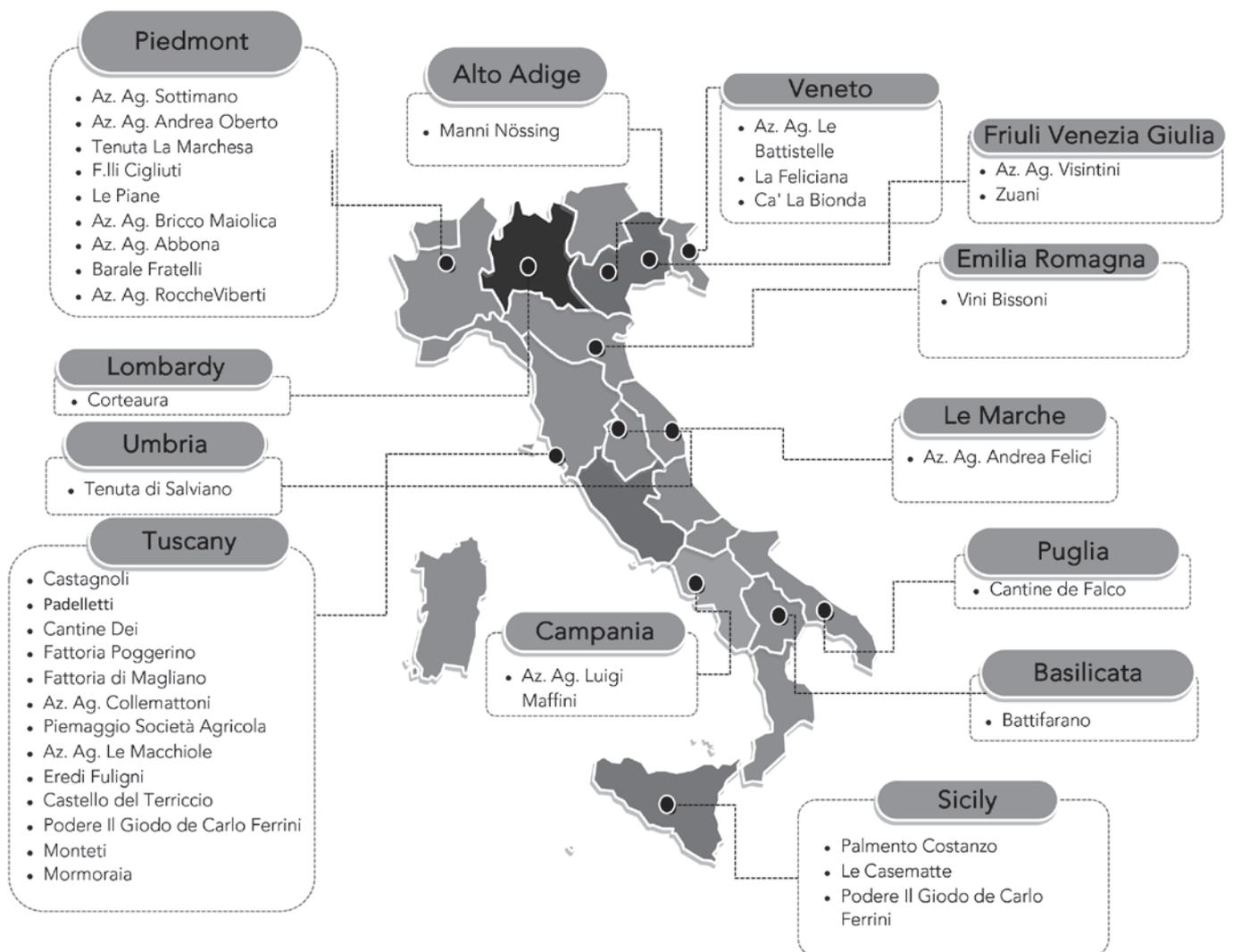
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CORTEAURA

FRANCIACORTA

Corteaura

Lombardy

Wines presented by Federico Fossati

Federico Fossati, the "Soul of Corte Aura", is not yet 40 but already taking on a second career - with great results! He left his homeland of the Veneto and a career in finance to set up in Lombardy. He saw his future in Adro, Franciacorta. Prime growing grounds for classic, high quality fruit, perfect for Franciacorta. The towns emblem is made up of three bunches of grapes - this is what they do there!

We are delighted to be working with the team here - it is so refreshing to have people making great Sparkling wine - who really understand that as it is not labelled Champagne - there is work to be done to raise the profile of Franciacorta and they know prices must be part of the allure - these represent seriously good value and we are so pleased to be listing the Brut and the fantastic Pas Dosé cuvée - perfect adverts for what is achievable here in this historic region - with passion, attention to detail and a long-term plan. They own many of the own vineyards as well as buying in grapes from trusted growers and although still quite young are becoming seriously respected in the area.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
FRANCIACORTA Brut Corteaura	£20.95	£18.95
FRANCIACORTA Pas Dosé Brut Corteaura	£24.95	£22.95



Azienda Agricola Visintini

Friuli Venezia Giulia

Wines presented by Cinzia Visintini

Founded in 1973 by Andrea Visintini, this 24 hectare estate has vineyards in Collio, Collio Orientali and Grave del Friuli, and is now brilliantly run by his three children - Oliviero and twin sisters Cinzia and Palmira. The wines are beautifully made, each with wonderful expression of both the grape and the 'terroir'. Vineyard practices are now entirely biodynamic, and are certified organic. These wines are also extraordinarily good value in what is generally a highly priced region.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 FRIULANO Friuli Colli Orientali Azienda Agricola Visintini	£15.50	£13.95
2021 PINOT GRIGIO Ramato Friuli Colli Orientali Azienda Agricola Visintini	£15.95	£13.95
2021 RIBOLLA GIALLA Friuli Colli Orientali Azienda Agricola Visintini	£15.95	£13.95
2019 REFOSCO Friuli Colli Orientali Azienda Agricola Visintini	£14.95	£13.25

ZUANI

Zuani

Friuli Venezia Giulia

Wines presented by Antonio Zanon

Patrizia Felluga left the family business more than 10 years ago in order to buy her own property in the heart of the Collio and set about her ambition of making a 'terroir' based wine. Working now with her two children she is creating beautiful, crystalline wines with great character. Her seven hectares are planted with fifteen to thirty year old Friulano, Pinot Grigio, Chardonnay and Sauvignon vines, from which she produces just two wines, each the same blend, one of which is oaked. Each variety is vinified separately in stainless steel and blended to make wines which are wonderfully expressive of the vineyard.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 ZUANI Vigne Bianco Collio	£20.95	£18.95
2017 ZUANI 'Zuani Riserva' Collio Bianco	£28.95	£25.95



Manni Nössing

Alto Adige

As Ian d'Agata writes: 'Manni Nössing is one of Italy's most talented winemakers. In fact, all his wines are so good that it's virtually impossible to pick the best of the lot, or even a favourite.'

We could not agree more. Manni is a charming, unassuming man crafting simply outstanding wines in this beautiful corner of north eastern Italy. The Eisackthal Valley (German Name) or Valle Isarco (as it's known in Italian) is a small tract of the Alto Adige that feels deeply Alpine, Germanic even - it is a mesmerising scenery, completely breathtaking to be in. Beautifully mountainous with green high-pastures, craggy clifftops adorned with isolated monasteries and small patches of vines, neatly ordered and hugging the slopes in small patches, dotted throughout the valley. There is a coming together of cultures here - in the school in Bressanone the first language is German and all the signs are written in both languages. Yet the wines here have a lovely, northern Italian purity. A limpid, crystalline quality. Bright, pure and yet with sensational texture and depth.

The DOC is small - running the length of the valley, just 40 km and made up of nearly 400 hectares under vine. Only white varieties are currently permitted, with Sylvaner, Kerner and Riesling featuring widely. Manni Nössing is farming just 6 hectares and is at the forefront of a new generation of winemakers - who's families historically sold their fruit to the big producers like Abbazia di Novacella, but now make their own wines. Since 2000 Manni has bottled his own wines and is fanatical about expressing the freshness of the terroir and is determined to make wines with huge drinkability - he finds it sad that some people are still trying to make fuller, more 'silicon coated' wines here - 'non per me grazie!'

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 GRÜNER VELTLINER Manni Nössing	£22.95	£20.50
2020 MÜLLER THURGAU Sass Rigais Manni Nössing	£22.95	£20.50
2020 KERNER Manni Nössing	£22.95	£20.50
2020 RIESLING Manni Nössing	£23.95	£21.50



Le Battistelle

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Veneto

Wines presented by Gloria, Cristina & Gelmino dal Bosco

Gelmino and Cristina Dal Bosco's small family farm is in Brognoligo, the ultimate zone for vineyards at the heart of the Soave Classico region. The family for years sold their grapes to the local co-op but since 2002 took the decision to make their own wines and express their very specific terroir. Thank goodness they did. Their prized vineyards sit on the slopes of an ancient volcano. The steep slopes make viticulture hard work - but the vines thrive here at altitude, firmly rooted in the ancient, basalt-rich volcanic soils. The top wine 'Roccolo del Durlo' comes from such steep vineyards, which similar to the Douro are built up on ancient dry stone walls so that working here is officially certified as 'Heroic Viticulture'! This geology adds an unmistakable vein of mineral freshness to the two brilliant wines. They only grow Garganega here and the juice has a lovely weight of soft pear fruit, some melon and delicious fresh brush of citrus too - aligned with the clean, precise mineral undertone - the results are great. Finally we have found what we have been searching for. A brilliant producer of fresh, textured Soaves that you just want to drink.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 SOAVE CLASSICO Montesei Le Battistelle	£16.50	£14.75
2020 SOAVE CLASSICO Roccolo del Durlo Le Battistelle	£19.50	£17.50



La Feliciana

Veneto

La Feliciana is a small winery south of Lake Garda, in the Commune of Pozzolengo, and remarkably peaceful, with gentle rolling hills and vineyards stretching off into the distance; the only thing that would make you wonder if it has always been this way is the massive stone tower built on a low hill a couple of miles away: It's the monument to the Battle of San Martino, fought by the Piemontese against half of the Austrian army while their French allies were fighting the other half at Solferino, a few miles away.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 LUGANA Felugan La Feliciana	£15.92	£14.50
2021 FEUDO Chiaretto Riviera del Garda Classico La Feliciana	£15.50	£13.95

CA' LA BIONDA®

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Ca' La Bionda

Veneto

Wines presented by Filippo Forte

We have long been on the search for a great source of top Valpolicella and so when a recommendation came our way from not just Fabio Alessandria at Burlotto, but also Christoph Kunzli at Le Piane we sat up and took note and we loved what we tasted. Ca' la Bionda was established in the commune of Marano di Valpolicella in 1902 by Pietro Castellani a dedicated grape grower and winemaker. Today the fourth generation of the family run the estate along organic lines (certified since 2016) and have recently refurbished the winery to make use of gravity rather than pumps to move the musts and wine. Vineyards have had traditional Marogne (dry stone walls) re-established to give greater exposure to purely autochthonous varieties (Corvina, Corvinone, Rondinella, Molinara). Ferments are with purely wild yeasts and Sulphur usage is kept to a minimum.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 VALPOLICELLA Classico Ca' La Bionda	£16.50	£14.75
2019 VALPOLICELLA Ripasso Classico Superiore Ca' La Bionda	£21.95	£19.95
2016 AMARONE Classico Ca' La Bionda	£44.50	£39.75



Andrea Felici

Le Marche

Wines presented by Leopardo Felici

2020 was Leo Felici's Year: a worthy winner of his new title 'Italy's Best Winemaker' from the Gambero Rosso Guide. Since then he has gone from strength to strength. As Antonio Galloni writes - 'Leopardo Felici has a great hand with the Verdicchio grape, producing two of the Marche's best white wines. Clearly, the vineyard location in the cool-climate, hilly area between Apiro and Cupramontana is a big help, benefiting from both altitude and fresh sea breezes. This helps the wines have high natural acidity, a strong mineral overlay and wonderful clarity. But strong viticultural and winemaking skills also play a role. Felici is a rarity, farming organically, and his decision not to use oak instead, working with just stainless steel and cement vats. This certainly contributes to the precision of the wines. Leo Felici has brought the family estate to the forefront of the Marche – these are awesome wines.

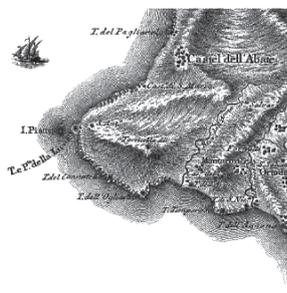
	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 VERDICCHIO CLASSICO SUPERIORE Classico Superiore dei Castelli di Jesi Andrea Felici	£17.50	£15.50
2018 VERDICCHIO 'VIGNA' Il Cantico della Figura Riserva dei Castelli di Jesi Andrea Felici	£35.95	£32.50



Tenuta di Salviano Umbria

Tenuta di Salviano is at the heart of a beautiful valley in Umbria, this ancient family estate is now owned and run by Giovanni and Tara Incisa della Rochetta. It is clear fine wines are in their blood as they are producing some exceptionally smart and gorgeously drinkable whites here. With the family estate of Tenuta San Guido, home of famous reds like Sassicaia - just down the road - Giovanni and Tara are here concentrating on whites. With recent investments and a new energy the couple are wringing all the great potential out of this stunning landscape. These are delightful whites that transport you straight to the rolling hills of Umbria. These are new wines this year, loaded with pedigree and sheer pleasure.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 ORVIETO Classico Superiore Castello di Titignano	£14.50	£12.95
2021 GRECHETTO Tenuta di Salviano	£16.95	£14.95
2020 RIGOGOLI Tenuta di Salviano	£34.95	£31.50



LUIGI MAFFINI

Luigi Maffini

Campania

Wines presented by Lia and Pietro Maffini

Luigi Maffini's vineyards are on the coast of Campania, south of Naples, across the bay from Positano, and planted with the local grapes, Fiano for the whites and Aglianico for the reds. While the family's first vines were planted in the seventies, the real beginning of this winery dates from 1996.

Luigi and his wife Raffaella are both graduates of Naples university in agricultural sciences. Luigi specialised in viticulture and winemaking. Ten years elapsed between our first tasting of his wines and getting Luigi 'on board', but he has now been with L&S since 2009.

Raffaella and Luigi run the vineyards organically, and share the land with their two children and three dogs, as well as hares, foxes, hedgehogs, hawks and wild boars, with which they are happy to live in peace. There are now two vineyard sites, at Castellabate and Giungano, so some of the wines are DOC Cilento and some DOC Paestum.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 KRATOS Fiano Luigi Maffini	£22.50	£19.95
2019 PIETRAINCATENATA Fiano Luigi Maffini	£33.95	£29.95
2019 KLEOS Aglianico Luigi Maffini	£22.95	£20.50
2018 CENITO Aglianico Luigi Maffini	£34.50	£30.95
2016 SIOPE Aglianico Luigi Maffini	£62.95	£56.75



Bissoni

Emilia Romagna

Wines presented by Raffaella Bissoni

Raffaella Bissoni has always dreamt of raising the profile of Emilia Romagna's important grape varieties; Sangiovese and Albana. Her aim was to produce fine wines through careful work in the vineyards, being patient and respectful of nature and its cycles. She wanted to bottle not only wine, but also her passion and her love for things done properly. In 1988 she founded the Bissoni winery. Nestled on the beautiful hillside of Casticciano, a natural terrace overlooking the sea in the medieval town of Bertinoro. Today, she is living the dream and remains faithful to her values - organically certified these are beautifully crafted wines coming from her 5 hectares of pristine vineyards.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2019 SANGIOVESE Girapoggio DOC Romagna Bissoni	£15.95	£14.75
2018 PASSITO Albana di Romagna Bissoni	£31.95	£28.75

MORMORAIA

Mormoraia

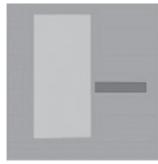
Tuscany

Wines presented by Franca Passoni

Alessandro Passoni is the second generation here to run this beautiful estate since his father bought the old convent back in 1980 and started to regenerate the vineyards. The name comes from the property's religious history as a convent, with the murmur of the nuns as they recited their prayers that once emanated from the walls like a 'Mormoraia'.

Pino Passoni and his wife Franca passed over the reins to their children in 2012 and the farm has been worked organically since 2013. This is an estate on the move with energy and ever better practices in the vineyards and clever gentle work in the cellar. The results are great and these wines get better and better!

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 SUAVIS Vernaccia Di San Gimignano Mormoraia	£14.50	£12.95
2018 OSTREA Vernaccia Di San Gimignano Mormoraia	£17.95	£16.50
2019 CHIANTI Haurio Colli Senesi Mormoraia	£13.50	£11.95



fattoria di Magliano

Fattoria di Magliano

Tuscany

Wines presented by Agostino Lenci

La Fattoria di Magliano was set up in 1996 by Agostino Lenci. Agostino, fascinated by the history of the region and its centuries old wine-making traditions, sees his job and duty to safeguard nature – both wild and agricultural. Bringing in the expertise of Sassicaia’s winemaker Graziano Grassini was a shrewd move and she still oversees the wine-making here with aplomb. Minimum intervention and now completely organic with certification from 2018 onwards, Agostino and his team are making smart and wonderfully characterful wines here from local varieties and some small productions of some very charming Super Tuscans too.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 PAGLIATURA Vermentino Toscana Fattoria di Magliano	£16.95	£14.95
2021 ILLARIO ROSATO Fattoria di Magliano	£15.50	£13.95
2018 MORELLINO DI SCANSANO Heba Fattoria di Magliano	£16.50	£14.75
2016 PERENZO Rosso della Maremma Fattoria di Magliano	£29.50	£26.25
2016 POGGIO BESTIALE Rosso della Maremma Fattoria di Magliano	£28.95	£25.95



Poggerino

Tuscany

Wines presented by Piero Lanza

Piero Lanza is one of Chianti's greatest young ambassadors. A qualified oenologist, a very competent agronomist and a brilliant winemaker, his wines have improved immeasurably over the past few vintages. Located in the heart of Chianti Classico district the estate consists of 106 acres of vineyards, olive groves and woodlands. The winery is one of the properties of a large estate which used to belong to Prince Ginori Conti, a descendant of one of Florence's oldest families. Floriana Ginori Conti inherited the winery from her father in the 1970s and began in 1980 to produce a Chianti Classico with the "Poggerino" label. In 1999 she handed over the property to her two children, Piero and Benedetta Lanza, who had been managing it since 1988. Only 11 hectares are planted with vines, almost all of which are Sangiovese. Piero is a passionate agronomist, firmly of the opinion that the work he does in the vineyard reflects not only in the quality of his wines, but the individual 'terroir' of their property, and to this end is now working completely biodynamically. Another of our producers described him to us 'Ah yes, Piero, the one who knows all his vines by name'. Planted on clay and 'galestro' soils his wines are marked by minerality, acidity and bright fruit. Biodynamic and certified organic.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 IL LABIRINTO Poggerino	£16.95	£15.50
2020 CHIANTI CLASSICO Poggerino	£20.50	£18.50
2019 CHIANTI CLASSICO Nuovo Poggerino	£30.95	£27.95
2018 CHIANTI CLASSICO Riserva Bugialla Poggerino	£32.95	£29.50



Piemaggio

Tuscany

Wines presented by Filippo Scauri

Piemaggio sits up on the high slopes of Castellina in Chianti, just to the North East of the town. With stony, galestra laden vineyards between 400 and 450 metres above sea-level there is very much a 'cooler climate' feel to these wines than so many in Chianti. At this height the temperature drops notably in the evenings and this has a great impact on the grapes - slow steady ripening and a broad diurnal temperature range which helps concentrate more complex flavours and avoid over richness in the juice. Based entirely within the small 'cru' called Le Fioraie this small (9 Hectare) farm is making some brilliant, finely layered wines - each with a precision and persistent elegance that has wowed us at each tasting we have had together. Winemaker Michele Neri was born at the estate in the early 1970's and although it is now owned by another family - he still oversees all the estates production. So elegant, so fine - their systematic approach to long ageing in their cellars before release means that these arrive in the UK ready to drink.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2016 CHIANTI CLASSICO Le Fioraie Piemaggio	£19.95	£17.95
2015 CHIANTI CLASSICO Le Fioraie Riserva Piemaggio	£30.50	£27.50



Castagnoli

Tuscany

Wines presented by Tim Schefenacker

The first mention of Castagnoli was as early as the year 979, when it was an abbey. Centuries later it became the home of a noble Florentine family. The name recalls the previous existence of a chestnut forest.

The wines produced here are a true reflection of the hard work that has been undertaken by the current owners, the Shefernacker family, who are also wine producers in Württemberg. They have been pioneering in the appellation with their dedication to biodynamic cultivation. Today the estate extends to 13.5 hectares of vineyards and olive trees, planted on soils with a mix of galestro, loam, limestone and schist.

The vineyard was planted from 1978, and they decided to make narrow stone terraces on a steep south and south-westerly-facing slope. The Sangiovese vines were planted each supported by one stake, like the albarelli of Etna. The current generation may rue this choice as these terraces and the way of training the vines both entail an enormous amount of manual work. However, the quality of the 'Terrazze' Riserva is indisputable. The cool, high terrain gives elegant, long-ripened Sangiovese, and although they have experimented with other varieties, it is this which really shines here.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2019 CHIANTI CLASSICO Castagnoli	£21.95	£19.50
2015 TERRAZZE CHIANTI CLASSICO Riserva Castagnoli	£29.50	£26.50
2015 SALITA Sangiovese Selection Castagnoli	£41.75	£37.25



Cantine Dei

Tuscany

Wines presented by Caterina Dei

The Dei vineyard was founded by Alibrando Dei, grandfather of Caterina who runs it now, when he bought the Bossona vineyard in 1964. This turned out to be a brilliant vineyard site, and is the source of the 'Bossona Riserva'.

In the 1970s Alibrando bought the Villa Martiena, just at the foot of the village of Montepulciano, which came with more land for vineyards and olive trees. At first all the grapes were sold, but in 1985 the family produced their first wines under their own label, renting a winery in the middle of the town. The first winery on the Villa Martiena property was built in 1989. Caterina's father Glauco, also known as ('l'ingegnere' (the engineer) had a successful business in (and a passion for) Travertine marble, so the current gravity-fed winery at Villa Martiena is a palace of Travertine built into the hillside, designed by Glauco and Caterina with the help of architect Alessandro Bagnoli.

The vineyard now extends to 50 hectares, planted at 4700 vines per hectare, in five main parcels; Martiena and Piaggia, at 400m altitude, are mainly a mix of sandstone, giving bright yellow soils, Bossona, also at 400m has tufa on the surface with a calcareous subsoil rich in fossils, and is probably still the best site, while Ciarlina, at 300m, is a mix of clay and limestone. Cervognano (250m) is tufa and clay.

Caterina Dei has run the estate for the last 25 years, constantly working at small refinements in the vineyard management, as well as in the winery. Ploughing is kept to a minimum so as to reduce the number of vehicles that have to go into the vines, organic fertiliser and cover crops are used - barley which breaks up the earth like ploughing, clover as a nitrogen-fixer, mustard which is draining, while rape has an anti-bacterial and anti-fungal effect. When these are mowed off, they add more organic matter to the soil. No chemical herbicides are used, and careful canopy management is used to prevent disease.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 ROSSO DI MONTEPULCIANO Cantine Dei	£17.95	£15.95
2018 VINO NOBILE DI MONTEPULCIANO Cantine Dei	£25.95	£23.95
2016 VINO NOBILE DI MONTEPULCIANO Bossona Riserva Cantine Dei	£51.95	£46.50
2016 VINO NOBILE DI MONTEPULCIANO Madonna Della Querce Cantine Dei	£72.95	£64.95
2016 SANCTA CATHARINA Cantine Dei	£45.95	£40.95
2015 VIN SANTO DI MONTEPULCIANO Cantine Dei	£32.95	£29.50



Fuligni
Tuscany

Founded in 1923 by Giovanni Fuligni round a Medici villa and a country convent of the Renaissance era, the Fuligni estate today is co-owned by Robert Guerrini Fuligni and his delightful aunt Maria Flora Fuligni. Together with his aunt, Roberto makes the wines with oenologist Paola Vagaggini, while agronomist Federico Ricci looks after the vineyards. The estate covers 100 hectares, of which 25 are under vine, almost all planted with Sangiovese, with a small amount of Merlot for the IGT blend. 4 plots, Semiti, San Giovanni, Ginestreto and Cotimeli produce Sangiovese for the Brunelli and Rosso and each vineyard is kept separate during fermentation. What is important is the combined height of the vineyards (350-440m), the density of planting, age of the vines (12-30 plus) and the 'galestro' soils on which they are planted. Fuligni's wines have reached international recognition for their purity of expression, strong backbone of acidity and polished tannins. These are simply the finest wines of Brunello, epitomising all that is great from the region. The 'Rosso' now comes from a defined part of the vineyard, on clay and tufa rather than the marl of the Brunello. It is made from the outset as a Rosso, with different clones and the intention to make a wine which will be approachable at a much younger age.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2019 ROSSO DI MONTALCINO Ginestreto Fuligni	£30.50	£27.50
2017 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO Fuligni	£66.50	£59.95
2016 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO Riserva Fuligni	£112.75	£100.95
2012 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO Riserva Fuligni	£110.95	£98.95



Collemattoni

Tuscany

Wines presented by Marcello Bucci

This is a tiny seven hectare estate in San Angelo in Colle, on the southern side of the hill of Montalcino, nestling above the famous and rather larger Col d'Orcia vineyards (145 hectares). Marcello Bucci, who studied oenology under Signora Fuligni (Roberto Fuligni's aunt), is making wonderfully good wines which have rapidly increased both in quality and international recognition. A new winery finished in time for the harvest in 2015 has given Marcello greater control and flexibility with the wine-making - this is an estate going from strength to strength. The wines from these vineyards are fuller and riper, though perhaps marginally less fine than, say, Fuligni's, but what they lack in finesse is more than compensated for in the pricing, making Collemattoni one of the best value wines of the region.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2019 ROSSO DI MONTALCINO Collemattoni	£19.50	£17.50
2017 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO Collemattoni	£43.95	£39.50
2016 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO Riserva Vigna Fontelontano Collemattoni	£79.95	£71.50



Padelletti

Tuscany

Wines presented by Sara Rossi

The Padellettis are one of Montalcino's oldest families, and one with an illustrious past, stretching back into the 13th century at least. In 1529, Giovanni Padelletti, an architect, was given charge of a section of wall and two gates for the defence of the city against the Spanish invaders, and his descendants still own them. Under the Medicis they had to lie low, but by 1576 they are again listed as owning land and vineyards.

Over the centuries the quality of the wines of the area was improving. White grapes, commonly vinified with the red to make the wines drinkable younger, were excluded, and the best wines were aged in barrels made of oak imported from elsewhere, which did not make the wines as tannic as the local chestnut. It was over this time that the wine became known as Brunello, from the tawny-edged colour it took on from long oak-ageing.

The Padellettis always had vines in the Rigaccini estate, a valley on the north side of the city which slopes down the east side of the fortress, with a soil enriched by volcanic debris from Monte Amiata. From this six hectares they select less than a quarter of the grapes for Brunello, a production of 7-8000 bottles. The wine is fermented in cement tanks and aged in large Slavonian oak casks, in the original cellar in central Montalcino, in Via Guido e Dino Padelletti, under the family's historic house.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2018 ROSSO DI MONTALCINO Padelletti	£24.75	£21.95
2017 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO Padelletti	£53.75	£46.95
2016 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO Padelletti	£55.50	£48.75
2016 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO Riserva Padelletti	£93.95	£84.50

PODERE

GIODO

MONTALCINO

Podere Giodo de Carlo Ferrini

Tuscany

Wines presented by Bianca Ferrini

Famed oenologist Carlo Ferrini whose stellar career has seen him consulting at some of the greatest estates in Italy has finally put down some roots of his own. Putting his full effort and expertise, his heart and soul - into his own winery in Montalcino. Named after his parents 'Giovanna and Donatello' - Giodo is small, just 3.5 Hectares - but perfectly formed.

Carlo spent many years looking for the best spot for his own venture. Just south of the town of Montalcino he found Giodo. South-east facing, gentle slopes, perfectly exposed to the morning and early afternoon sun, where through rigorous selection he has planted 15 different clones of Sangiovese, all selected for their quality of fruit and their low yields. All perfectly suited to this ideal site.

With limited production and incredible provenance, it is no surprise that these wines are in huge demand and heavily oversubscribed.

We are delighted to be the UK's importer for this very special estate - not just because of our respect for the pedigree of Carlo Ferrini - but because they are fantastic wines.

The maestro has finally put his name on the bottle and these wines are full of class and pedigree.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2018 LA QUINTA Podere Giodo di Carlo Ferrini	£44.95	£40.50
2017 BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO Podere Giodo di Carlo Ferrini	£105.00	£95.00
2017 ETNA ROSSO IGT SICILIA Alberelli di Giodo	£59.50	£53.50



Tenuta Monteti

Tuscany

Tenuta Monteti is situated in the southern part of the Maremma, some fifteen kilometres from the border of the region of Scansano, under the hill of Monteti, an amphitheatre which protects the estate from coastal winds. The twenty-five hectares of vineyard are planted with Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Franc, Alicante and Merlot in individual lots of one hectare, each vinified separately in the new, state of the art, winery.

The wines are marked by a pronounced individuality, reflecting not only the 'terroir' of the region, but more importantly a freshness of fruit and balanced acidity which makes them so very drinkable. They are intentionally understated wines which perform on the palate in a musical fashion - a delicate introduction which builds to the most wonderful crescendo.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 TM ROSÉ Rosato Tenuta Monteti	£16.95	£15.50
2016 CABURNIO Tenuta Monteti	£18.50	£16.50
2016 MONTETI Tenuta Monteti	£32.95	£29.50

LEMACCHIOLE

BOLGHERI

Le Macchiole

Tuscany

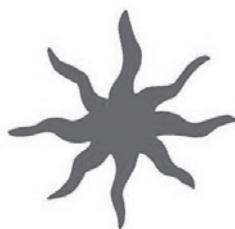
Wines presented by Gianluca Putzolu

Initially put onto the wine map by Eugenio Campolmi in 1983, the Le Macchiole estate has been run by his wife Cinzia since 2002. Located in Bolgheri, with 22 hectares of vineyard over much of the best soils of the region these are, along with the Sassicaia and Ornellaia's vineyards, also among the oldest and most established vines in Bolgheri. Their careful selection of grape varieties and cultivation techniques according to climate and soil has led them to concentrate on Merlot, Syrah and most importantly Cabernet Franc, a variety which can express itself so well in the hands of Le Macchiole.

All of their wines are marked by a unique and unmistakable character. Full bodied wines, and yet with clean and elegant flavours, leading to great freshness and finesse, they are incredibly sought after world-wide. The estate has been organic since 2002, and they are experimenting with biodynamics.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 PALEO Bianco Le Macchiole	£58.50	£52.25
2020 BOLGHERI ROSSO Le Macchiole	£25.50	£22.75
2018 PALEO Rosso Le Macchiole	£92.95	£83.25
2018 SCRIO Le Macchiole	£146.95	£131.50
2018 MESSORIO Le Macchiole	£189.25	£169.50

CASTELLO DEL TERRICCIO



Castello del Terriccio

Tuscany

Wines presented by Giacinta Pucci

The Castello del Terriccio estate is one of the most beautifully situated along the entire coastal region, some miles north of Bolgheri. The 60 hectares of vines enjoy wonderful exposure, overlooking the sea, benefitting from its warmth and brightness. The vineyards are surrounded by 'maquis' and eucalyptus trees, which as well as protecting them, also contribute to the aromas and scents that so characterise the Terriccio wines.

Planted predominately with Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Syrah, the wines are made by consultant oenologist Carlo Ferrini, who has to date brought a huge number of 'Tre Bicchieri' awards to the estate and broad critical acclaim. These are wines that can be approached almost immediately and yet age so well over a decade and more.

Tragically at the end of 2019 the extraordinarily charming owner - Gian Annibale Rossi di Medelana Serafini Ferri or 'Pucci' as he was fondly known, passed away. The estate continues in the safe hands of his nephew Vittorio - and with the same team around him working in the cellars and the vineyards we are confident the estate will go from strength to strength.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2017 TASSINAIA Castello del Terriccio	£27.95	£24.95
2010 TERRICCIO Castello del Terriccio	£61.50	£54.95
2010 LUPICAIA Castello del Terriccio	£99.95	£88.75

CANTINE DE FALCO



Cantine de Falco

Puglia

Wines presented by Marco Bello

Located near Lecce in the heart of Salento country, at Novoli, this 50 year old estate has really hit its stride recently. Salvatore has been succeeded by his son Gabriele but the understanding of this place and the vines has been passed on seamlessly. With average vine age now between 20 and 30 years old the fruit is of great intensity and quality. We were struck by the purity of the fruit character here - the fabulous, clean-cut expression that fills the glass from each varietal. Our favourites from the estate are the Negroamaro and the super Primitivo. Both fine, lithe and pretty examples. Yes, these are Puglian, so all is relative, but these are the brightest, most fun examples we have tasted for ages. The enthusiasm for what they are doing here is contagious.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 PRIMITIVO Salento Cantine de Falco	£10.95	£9.95
2021 NEGROAMARO Salento Cantine de Falco	£10.95	£9.95
2019 NEGROAMARO Salore Salice Salentino Cantine de Falco	£13.95	£12.50



Battifarano

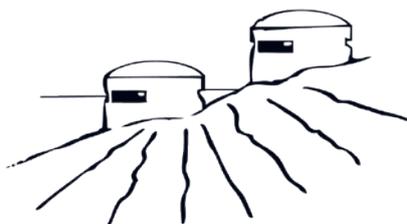
Basilicata

Wines presented by Francesco Paolo Battifarano

If Italy is a boot, you'll find this brilliant winery on the coast in the arch of the foot, in the southern part of Basilicata. The Battifarano farm has been owned and worked by the same family for more than five centuries. The focus moved to wine in the 1930s and Francesco, who currently heads up the family business, is the second generation to be a trained agronomist. This has led to a great focus on identifying the perfect sites for each of the different varieties grown here. The aim is, to as transparently as possible, transfer their great terroir into the wine in every bottle. Minimal interventions are made and the results speak for themselves. These are the very purest expressions of the local Basilicata varieties Primitivo and Greco, dishing up excellent value, top quality wines that are simply a pleasure to drink.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2019 GRECO DI MATERA Le Paglie DOC Battifarano	£9.25	£13.00
2017 PRIMITIVO DI MATERA Akratos DOC Battifarano	£10.85	£14.50

LE CASEMATTE



Le Casematte

Sicily

Wines presented by Gianfranco Sabbatino

Le Casematte was founded in 2008 by former accountant Gianfranco Sabbatino who with former footballer Andrea Barzagli have joined forces to realise their dream of owning a winery with one of Italy's most renowned winemakers, Carlo Ferrini. Located on the north eastern corner of Sicily near Messina, the winery was named after two casematte, also known as bunkers from World War II, which served as observatories and defensive structures at that time. Today, they watch over Gianfranco's largest vineyard at Faro Superiore, where the steep hillsides have a 70% gradient. The terraced vineyards of the seven hectare winery benefit from the sea breezes of the Straits of Messina, notably the Sirocco wind during summer. Great changes in day and night temperatures combined with the calcareous and clay soils give Gianfranco's wines amazing elegance and fragrance.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2021 GRILLO Le Casematte	£14.50	£12.95
2021 PELORO Bianco Le Casematte	£18.95	£16.95
2020 NERO D'AVOLA Rosso Le Casematte	£14.50	£12.95
2019 PELORO Rosso Le Casematte	£18.95	£16.95
2018 FARO Rosso DOC Le Casematte	£24.95	£22.50

P A L M E N T O C O S T A N Z O

Palmento Costanzo

Sicily

A property of 14 hectares in Contrada Santo Spirito, Passopisciaro, on the northern slopes of Etna. 10 hectares are planted with vines on walled terraces on volcanic rocks between 600-800 metres altitude. The Costanzos came here in 2011 - they are from Catania - and meticulously restored the palmento (the word for the olive millstone which gave the farm its name). The vineyards are planted employing the 'gobelet' method and farmed organically. From 2017 the wines are certified organic. This is an amazing new project which has been given all the investment and attention it needed to make great wines from the outset.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 MOFETE ETNA BIANCO Palmento Costanzo	£25.95	£23.50
2019 BIANCO DI SEI ETNA BIANCO Palmento Costanzo	£36.50	£32.95
2018 MOFETE ETNA ROSSO Palmento Costanzo	£25.95	£23.50
2018 NERO DI SEI ETNA ROSSO Palmento Costanzo	£40.95	£36.95
2016 CONTRADA SANTO SPIRITO '466' Palmento Costanzo	£50.95	£45.95



Tenuta la Marchesa

Piedmont

The villa 'La Marchesa' after which this estate is named was built in 1750 by the owners at the time, a Genoese banking family, in order to keep their daughter happy for her forthcoming wedding day. It is now in the hands of the Giulini family, who have installed a brand new wine cellar with the most up to date vinification techniques, whilst maintaining the character of the original villa. Situated a mere 40 km from the sea, the soil on the estate is a clay/limestone mix and greatly influences the character of its wines.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 GAVI Etichetta Bianca Tenuta la Marchesa	£15.95	£14.50
2020 GAVI Etichetta Oro Tenuta la Marchesa	£17.95	£15.95



Le Piane
Piedmont

Christoph Kunzli, originally a Swiss wine importer, was introduced to the tiny and little-known region of Boca by Paolo di Marchi, owner of the famous Chianti estate, Isole e Olena. Located in the highest and most north-eastern part of Piedmont the region has a rich history of winemaking up until the 1950s when investment turned from vineyards to textiles. In the 19th century the Boca region boasted almost 40,000 hectares of vines, but by the 1990s had dwindled to less than 10, leaving it all but abandoned and largely forgotten, with most of the area returning to woodland. Christoph came here in 1998. In 2000 Paolo de Marche started his own property as Lessona, a neighbouring district. Christoph has added five hectares of vines to the original two, planted with Nebbiolo, Vespolina, Bonarda and Croatina (a.k.a. Refosco), all of which are surrounded by dense woodland with not another vine in sight. Christoph follows vineyard practices which are leading towards becoming fully biodynamic, and being totally non-interventionist in the winery, choosing to make the wines 'by his mouth' rather than by science. Whatever he is doing he is doing it very well and these are some of the most natural and exciting wines we have found from Piemonte; totally expressive, quite unique and with a wonderfully elegant and fine profile.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2017 MIMMO Le Piane	£24.50	£21.95
2017 LE PIANE	£36.95	£33.25
2016 BOCA Le Piane	£55.50	£49.75



Bricco Maiolica

Piedmont

Wines presented by Beppe Accomo

Beppe Accomo is a passionate, young and ambitious viticulturist making wines of excellent quality on his 20 hectare estate making gloriously uncomplicated, yet sophisticated wines that do not require years of bottle age. His Barbera is from old vines which produce tiny bunches of grapes making a wine with concentrated aromas of black cherries, deep colour, and fine rich flavour with hints of chocolate on the finish. Equally successful is the deep purple, ripe morello cherry fruit packed Dolcetto - one of the best from Diano d'Alba by a long stretch. His Nebbiolo is also chock full of raspberry and bilberry fruit with tremendous structure and length making it one of the best simple expressions of Nebbiolo which can be drunk on a regular basis and when relatively young.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 DOLCETTO DI DIANO D'ALBA Bricco Maiolica	£20.50	£18.50
2020 BARBERA D'ALBA Bricco Maiolica	£20.50	£18.50
2020 LANGHE NEBBIOLO Bricco Maiolica	£20.50	£18.50
2017 IL CUMOT Nebbiolo d'Alba Superiore Bricco Maiolica	£27.95	£24.95



Marziano Abbona

Piedmont

Wines presented by Chiara Abbona

The Abbona vineyards were first established in the early part of the 20th Century by Marziano and Celso Abbona (father and son) just outside the town of Dolgliani. Famed for its Dolcetto, it was Celso who first planted the Bricco Doriolo vineyard in the 1950's and it is from here that the estate's flagship wine 'Papá Celso' derives. Rightly heralded as one of Piedmont's greatest Dolcettos, it is wine of elegance, power and harmony, a wine that can age gracefully for many years.

In the mid-sixties the estate passed to Celso's sons Marziano and Enrico and they worked tirelessly to further establish the reputation of their local Dolcetto and bottled the first wines under the family name. In the early 1980's they added holdings in the prestigious Cru's of Barolo Ravera (Novello) and Bricco Barone and Rinaldi (Monforte d'Alba).

Following the untimely death of Enrico in 1999, Marziano's daughter Mara joined the family business and the estate continued its acquisitions of Barolo vineyards with plots in Pressenda (Monforte d'Alba) and Cerviano (Novello). It was also a time when Marziano was experimenting with a new white wine, Cinerino, made from Viognier, as he had enjoyed great Condrieu and wanted to see if they could replicate the wines in the hills of Dolgliani. Today it has become something of celebrity and is found in restaurants throughout Piedmont.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 CINERINO Viognier Marziano Abbona	£26.95	£23.95
2019 BARBERA D'ALBA Rinaldi Marziano Abbona	£21.50	£18.95
2015 BAROLO Ravera Marziano Abbona	£46.95	£41.95
2015 BAROLO Pressenda Marziano Abbona	£48.95	£43.75
2016 BAROLO Cerviano-Merli Marziano Abbona	£53.95	£48.50



Barale Fratelli

Piedmont

Wines presented by Eleonora Barale

Barale traces its roots all the way back to 1870 when Barolo appeared on the scene in the Langhe, promoted by the Marchesi Falletti and Camillo Benso, Count of Cavour.

Francesco Barale, great-grandfather of the current owner, was among the pioneers in the production of Barolo. Today Sergio Barale and daughters Eleonora and Gloria carry on the old family tradition. The nineteenth-century manor house in the historic center of Barolo is the administrative and commercial headquarters of the company. Nearby are the historic underground cellars, where new technology has been introduced in accordance with traditional rules. The vinification and aging processes adopted are aimed at producing balanced wines in which the characteristics of the grape variety and region of origin prevail.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 LANGHE NEBBIOLO Barale Fratelli	£20.95	£18.95
2017 BAROLO Barale Fratelli	£36.50	£32.95
2017 BAROLO Castellero Barale Fratelli	£51.95	£47.95
2017 BAROLO Bussia Barale Fratelli	£53.95	£48.50



Andrea Oberto

Piedmont

A small family run winery and vineyard based in La Morra, The Obertos have sixteen hectares of vineyards and produce a brilliant 'village' Barolo as well as 2 from the different 'crus' of Rocche dell'Annunziata and Albarella. The wines are beautifully focused and age well, although immensely approachable in their youth as there is a deliciously juicy and generous feel that runs through all the wines.

The Andrea Oberto winery's origins are humble in fact everything began in 1959 when Andrea's father bought a farmhouse in La Morra. At that time the farmers could not survive with just one crop, therefore, he earned a living growing peaches, grapes and raising cows. However, in the family business there was enough work for everyone and so Andrea, when he became adult, decided to leave the farm and started working for a big company as truck driver. Andrea came back (Thankfully!) to La Morra in 1978 when his father died. He inherited the family's land and he began managing the farm. He soon began to focus solely on vine growing. At the beginning the grapes were sold to cooperatives with some sold locally to friends and family. Devoting all of his time and energies to the family farm Andrea's talents soon became clear, and the small farm quickly morphed into a wine company with sixteen hectares of their own wines and brilliant cellar.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 DOLCETTO D'ALBA Andrea Oberto	£16.50	£14.95
2020 BARBERA D'ALBA Andrea Oberto	£17.95	£15.95
2020 LANGHE NEBBIOLO Andrea Oberto	£20.95	£18.95
2017 BAROLO del Comune di La Morra Andrea Oberto	£35.95	£32.50
2017 BAROLO Vigneto Albarella Andrea Oberto	£48.50	£43.50
2017 BAROLO Rocche dell'Annunziata Andrea Oberto	£63.50	£56.95



ROCCHIVIBERTI

AZIENDA AGRICOLA

Barale Fratelli

Piedmont

Wines presented by Giovanni Mingolla and Claudio Viberti

Claudio Viberti is the 3rd generation to be at the helm of this small but very special estate in Castiglione Falletto - one of the great cru of Barolo. His grandfather bought the vines, just 4.5 HA in 1946, but it was not until 2002 when the young Claudio took the reins that they bottled their own wines in earnest. His father and grandfather largely sold off their juice or their grapes to other local estates. Claudio is proud that since his tenure started they have bottled everything themselves and sold the wines proudly under their own label. The estate's 'village' Barolo is made from a patchwork of plots of very old vines dotted throughout the village. It is the most perfect example of this commune's famed elegance. Pitch-perfect Nebbiolo.

Claudio's two 'cru' wines are both true wonders and take things to another level. Yet, fascinatingly they could not be more different. The village sits atop a tall, very steep ridge and Claudio has vineyards on each side of the ridgeline. The mesmerising Rocche Castiglione is on sand with some limestone and tuffo in the soil's make up. The vineyard faces south-east so gets the early sun and constant fresh wind that keeps it healthy and disease free. The wine is incredibly fragrant, with gentle bright fruit and a soft touch. Classic for this village - but so remarkable it stops you in its tracks, this is remarkably fine Barolo.

Claudio's other vines are in the hugely famous Bricco Boschis vineyard. For decades the Cavalotto family have been the only producers of Barolo Bricco Boschis, leading many to feel it was a monopole. This is not the case as several growers have Dolcetto vines here, Claudio regrafted some of his old vines to Nebbiolo and from 2014 has made his own Barolo Bricco Boschis. You can quickly see why this vineyard is one of Piedmont's most prized. Facing West it benefits from the warm afternoon and evening sun and the soil here is heavy with clay. The results are astonishingly good, powerful and broad in contrast to Claudio's Rocche Castiglione. Rich and structured, this is a wine that will require patience - but is an absolute gem. Rightfully an historic name - we are delighted to be able to offer this very rare gem.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2019 BARBERA D'ALBA Vigna Lunga Superiore Roccheviberti	£25.95	£23.50
2019 LANGHE NEBBIOLO DOC Roccheviberti	£28.95	£25.95
2017 BAROLO Vecchie Viti di Castiglione Roccheviberti	£46.95	£41.95
2017 BAROLO Rocche di Castiglione Roccheviberti	£59.95	£53.95
2015 BAROLO Bricco Boschis Roccheviberti	£61.50	£54.95



AZIENDA AGRICOLA

F.lli Cigliuti

Azienda Agricola Fratelli Cigliuti

Piedmont

Sisters Claudia and Silvia Cigliuti took over the running of this vineyard from their father Renato. He was the first member of the family to begin bottling his own wine, back in 1964, roughly the same time as other pioneers in the region like Giacosa, but the family can trace its roots on this land back to the late eighteenth century. Most of the vineyard and the winery is on the Serraboella hill, looking over Neive from the east, and it is the Barbaresco Serraboella which is the flagship wine of the estate. This hill, composed of calcareous marl and tufa soils, gives classic wines which combine the textural finesse of clay and the length and longevity of wines from limestone. The vineyards are tended by the family, by hand, with low yields to ensure full ripeness every year.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2019 BARBERA D'ALBA Serraboella Cigliuti	£22.50	£19.95
2019 BARBERA D'ALBA Campass Cigliuti	£24.50	£21.75
2020 LANGHE NEBBIOLO Cigliuti	£25.95	£23.50
2018 BARBARESCO Vie Erte Cigliuti	£41.95	£37.75
2018 BARBARESCO Serraboella Cigliuti	£55.50	£49.75



Azienda Agricola
SOTTIMANO

Sottimano

Piedmont

Wines presented by Claudia Sottimano

This sixteen hectare estate is based in the Cotta' region of Barbaresco, and the Sottimano family have over the years bought outstanding vineyards in the 'crus' of Currà, Cottà, Fausoni and Pajoré. Yields are kept very low and the winemaking as natural as possible, without the use of pesticides or artificial fertilisers, using only natural yeasts and bottling without filtering or fining. All of these 'crus' are given the same oak treatment to allow the individual 'terroirs' to express their character.

	PRICE PER BOTTLE	PRICE PER BOTTLE CASE EQUIVALENT
2020 DOLCETTO D'ALBA Bric del Salto Sottimano	£16.95	£15.50
2020 BARBERA D'ALBA Pairolero Sottimano	£24.95	£22.50
2020 LANGHE NEBBIOLO Sottimano	£25.95	£22.95
2018 BARBARESCO Pajoré Sottimano	£64.95	£57.95
2018 BARBARESCO Fausoni Sottimano	£64.95	£57.95
2018 BARBARESCO Basarin Sottimano	£64.95	£57.95
2018 BARBARESCO Cottá Sottimano	£64.95	£57.95

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