

Recommended (continued) 86-89pts

Wine	Score	AB	SH	AJ	Tasting note	Alc	Drink	Price	Stockists
Monterotondo, Seretina, Riserva 2013	86	90	84	84	Clean and evolved aromatics trip onto a grippy palate of dried fruit, with an intense tannic structure that's beginning to show its age.	14%	2018-2019	N/A UK	www.agriturismomonterotondo.net
Panzanello, Riserva 2013	86	85	85	88	Ample aromatic wealth here, though faintly mentholated. Incredible amounts of acidity shoot through the vanilla, leather and spice.	14.5%	2018-2021	N/A UK	www.panzanello.it
Podere l'Aja, Riserva 2013	86	89	82	87	Elderberry sweetness followed by a mocha and chocolate palate. Some gamey animal notes hiding under there, yet still an accessible example.	13%	2018-2020	N/A UK	www.poderelaja.com
Poggio Torselli, Riserva 2013	86	84	86	88	Cherry-filled and charming, wrapped in plenty of spice and heady violets. The palate is quite light and thin, but the fruit is still vivid.	13%	2019-2021	POA	Trywines Expertise
Premiata Fattoria di Castelvecchi, Lodolaio, Riserva 2014	86	87	88	82	Some medicinal aromas are present here, with a wet leaf and bitter herb tone too. Appealing if you like the herbal elements.	14%	2018-2021	£30	Wimbledon Wine Cellar
Savignola Paolina, Riserva 2014	86	84	88	85	The scents immediately suggest sweet vanilla cream and that classic sour cherry in a broad, round and simple style.	14%	2019-2022	N/A UK	www.savignolapaolina.it
Terre di Perseto, Albore, Riserva 2013	86	85	90	84	Hints of stewed fruit waft around the glass with a balsamic edge. A forceful style that is developing early, so best drink relatively soon.	14.5%	2019-2023	N/A UK	www.terrediperseto.com
Uggiano, Prestige, Riserva 2014	86	83	87	89	Sweet, dry cipse scents with a little floral grace. Slender, light and fine-grained palate, with sour cherries and a sweet wood spice.	13%	2018-2021	£11.99-£12.99	Blas Ar Fwyd Cyl, Kwoff, London Wine Shippers, Perfect Partners
Viticcio, Riserva 2013	86	85	90	84	Some faint herbaceousness behind brisk, upright blackcurrant fruits. Drivingly acidic and green on the palate with a dark chocolate finish.	13.5%	2018-2021	N/A UK	www.viticcio.com

Commended 83-85pts

■ Barone Ricasoli, Brolio, Riserva 2014 85, 13.5%, 2018-2021, £28.99 Amazon, BJR Hanby, Portland Wine, Roberts & Speight, Sainsbury's ■ I Fabbri, Riserva 2013 85,

13.5%, 2018-2022, N/A UK www.ifabbrichianticlassico.it ■ Il Cellese, Riserva 2014 85, 13.5%, 2019-2020, N/A UK www.ilcellese.it/en ■ Bibbiano, Riserva 2014 84, 14%, 2019-2020, POA Berry Bros & Rudd

■ Coli, Montignana, Riserva 2013 84, 13.5%, 2018-2019, N/A UK www.coli.it ■ Val delle Corti, Riserva 2014 84, 14%, 2018-2020, N/A UK www.valdellecorti.it

My top three

Andrea Briccarello

■ **Fèlsina, Rancia, Riserva 2013**
Located in Castelnuovo Berardenga, the Rancia vineyard is planted around 400m above sea level, giving the wine great freshness and density. Packed with dark berries and spices, this is a wine worth ageing. **96 Drink 2018-2022**

■ **Candiale, Gran Selezione 2013**
Situating in the stunning Conca d'Oro in Panzano, Candiale has about 11ha of vines planted on the famous galestro soil, that gives wine extreme elegance and purity of fruit. Great structure with plenty of poised fruits and supple tannins. **95 Drink 2018-2024**

■ **Rocca delle Macie, Sergio Zingarelli, Gran Selezione 2013**
The Sergio Zingarelli is made from the best grapes in Castellina in Chianti, grown on limestone and sand. Aged mainly in French oak, this stunning wine showed pure elegance and textbook Sangiovese notes. **95 Drink 2018-2024**

My top three

Susan Hulme MW

■ **Fèlsina, Colonia, Gran Selezione 2013**
A true terroir wine from a special vineyard at 420m on the top of Poggio a Rancia, with a particularly hard, rocky soil that is expressed in the firm, powdered rock tannins. **95 Drink 2018-2023**

■ **Marchesi Antinori, Badia a Passignano, Gran Selezione 2013**
It's great to see the hugely influential and innovative Antinori family still leading the field with this beautifully balanced and seductively silky wine. **95 Drink 2019-2024**

■ **Isole e Olena, Gran Selezione 2013**
Brimming with charm and charisma, this wine is made mainly from a few special barrels of Cepparello (Sangiovese) blended with a small amount of Bordeaux varieties. **93 Drink 2018-2024**

My top three

Andrew Jefford

■ **Il Palagio di Panzano, Le Bambole, Gran Selezione 2013**
Balanced, equable and fine-grained - yet crafted with a generosity of style which the long, drawn-out 2013 vintage made possible for those prepared to try. **97 Drink 2018-2025**

■ **Marchesi Antinori, Badia a Passignano, Gran Selezione 2013**
Bravo to Antinori for creating a 2013 Gran Selezione at the Badia a Passignano estate of very fine perfume and intensity: no resting on laurels here. **95 Drink 2019-2024**

■ **Isole e Olena, Gran Selezione 2013**
Disarmingly seductive at first sniff, and the charm deepened every time I went back to the glass. A Chianti Classico of penetration, structure and authority. **93 Drink 2018-2024**

NB: the tasters' top wines are not necessarily their top-scoring, rather those which, on learning the wines' identity, they feel are the most notable given their provenance, price or other factors