



# Ratings Report

BRUNELLO 2017 & 2016 RISERVA

# Brunello di Montalcino 2017



ROBERT PARKER  
„...shows balance“



JAMES SUCKLING  
„juicy entry...“



TONYWOOD  
„...juicy fresh finish.“



# Brunello di Montalcino 2017



## ROBERT PARKER

Packaged with a black label, the organic and biodynamic 2017 Brunello di Montalcino Corte Pavone is lush and rich, but it also **shows balance**. The wine starts off with sweet fruit tones and **lots of black cherry with spice**, tar and cedarwood. There is a general softness or integration to these flavors that **gives this bottle the upper edge in a challenging vintage**.



## JAMES SUCKLING

Cassis and red berries, together with some wet-leaf, fine musk and dried-meat savoriness here. A medium-bodied Brunello with **tight and dusty tannins** that knit the **juicy entry** of fresh berries with the **long, berry-oriented finish**. Some mossy spices at the end, too.  
Drink or hold for a few years.



## TONY WOOD

Intense ruby red in colour. **Hard to pull away from heady bouquet** of savoury spices, crushed violets, liquorice, sweet tobacco and citrus infused menthol. Doesn't follow through, yet retains a **juicy fresh finish**.

Best of

# Brunello di Montalcino 2017

*Fiore del Vento*



ROBERT PARKER

„pleasing to all the senses...“



JAMES SUCKLING

„juicy with a mineral palate...“



TONY WOOD

„not easily achieved...“



FALSTAFF

„zeigt schöne Saftigkeit...“



VINI BUONI D'ITALIA



# Brunello di Montalcino 2017

*Fiore del Vento*



ROBERT PARKER

One of seven cru selections from Loacker, the 2017 Brunello di Montalcino Corte Pavone Fiore del Vento (an organic and biodynamic wine) is **richly textured and concentrated** with plenty of dark fruit, **exotic spice** and sweet cherry. The Fiore del Vento offers a plush and enriched **expression of Sangiovese that is pleasing to all the senses.**



JAMES SUCKLING

A tempting nose with minerals and flowers on top of the spiced dark cherries, together with some mussels, **minerals** and a hint of iodine. Full-bodied, tight and **juicy with a mineral palate. Very elegant, yet fruit-expressive.**  
Lots of cherries in the long, **pristine finish.**  
Drink or hold.



TONY WOOD

Ruby red in colour with pink undertones. Sweet scented aromatics pull you in, purple and dark blue florals, black cherry, blueberry, whiffs of camphor. **Silky tannins** balance with clean acidity. Shows **good structure** with a few **layers of textural depth; not easily achieved in this vintage.** Juicy linear finish.

Best of

# Brunello di Montalcino 2017

## *Fior di Meliloto*



JAMES SUCKLING

„Floral and mineral  
nose...“



ROBERT PARKER

„is fruit forward and  
bright...“



TONY WOOD

„Agile. Juicy. Striking  
character...“



FALSTAFF

„In der Nase von zartem  
Ausdruck...“



VINI BUONI D'ITALIA



# Brunello di Montalcino 2017

## *Fior di Meliloto*



JAMES SUCKLING

**Floral and mineral nose** with bright red berries and moss on the nose. **Really vivid**, dry and elegant with lots of silky tannins that seamlessly wrap up the mineral red-berry fruit. **Tangy and refined**. Drink now or hold.



ROBERT PARKER

The Loacker 2017 Brunello di Montalcino Corte Pavone **Fior di Meliloto is fruit forward and bright** with a jolly personality. The hot vintage has shaped aromas of candied cherry and cassis, with **solid fruit weight** and **structure at the end**. This biodynamic and organic wine presents no hard edges and remains very pleasurable to drink.



TONY WOOD

Medium purple in colour with ruby undertones. Bouquet of violet, bluebell, hyacinth florals and dried cherry. Bing cherry, raspberry, pomegranate, blood orange, salty liquorice, dark exotic spice and mint. **Rich warm entry, showing textural depth and volume. Great weight. Agile. Juicy. Striking character. Finish long and persistent.** Has put on weight and flushed out since first tasted in February 2023.

Best of

# Brunello di Montalcino 2017

*Campo Marzio*



ROBERT PARKER

„Loacker pushing the  
boundries...“



JAMES SUCKLING

„a long, mineral finish...“



TONY WOOD

„Delivers beautifully...“

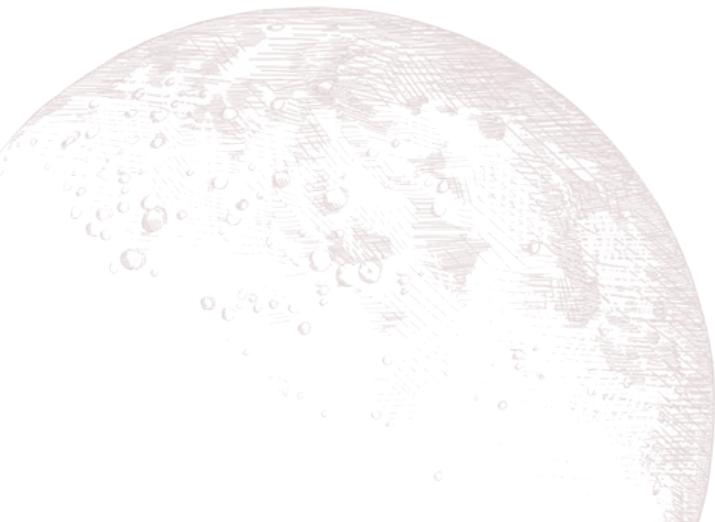


FALSTAFF

„Am Gaumen mit schöner  
Saftigkeit...“



VINI BUONI D'ITALIA



# Brunello di Montalcino 2017

*Campo Marzio*



ROBERT PARKER

An organic and biodynamic wine, the Loacker 2017 Brunello di Montalcino Corte Pavone Campo Marzio is **earthy and dark with a stronger mineral element** than we get in the other single-vineyard expressions from this very dynamic and innovative estate. The **Loacker team is known for pushing the boundaries, and this wine shows that they are also capable of making very classic and balanced wines even in a challenging vintage.** Dark fruit, blackcurrant and spice round off the finish.



JAMES SUCKLING

Minerals, black tea and **some black earth** on top of the cherries and dark spices. Elegant and tightly wound, but the tannins are chalky and savory. **Quite juicy** and effortless, with a **long, mineral finish** that's full of **crushed stones and bright berries.** Delicious now, but can hold, too.



TONY WOOD

Bright ruby red in colour. Delicate florals of rose petal, red cherry, wild strawberry, hibiscus, cedar notes. Not the powerhouse of 2016 but a more thoughtful **delicate expression.** **Delivers beautifully.**

Best of

# Brunello di Montalcino 2016 Riserva

*Vigna Poggio Molino al Vento*



JAMES SUCKLING

„showing depth and concentration...“



ROBERT PARKER

„ripe cherry and rum cake...“



DECANTER



FALSTAFF

„Stoffig und dich...“



VINI BUONI D'ITALIA



TONY WOOD

„Tight and tense.“



GUIDA BIO



# Brunello di Montalcino 2016 Riserva

*Vigna Poggio Molino al Vento*



JAMES SUCKLING

An enticing nose with savory wild herbs and dark spices, **showing depth and concentration**. Some minerals, peppercorn, iodine, mussels and mossy dried flowers. **This is elegant and extremely velvety**, with immaculate tannins and a **long, mineral finish**. Drink or hold.



ROBERT PARKER

Packaged with a silver label, the Loacker 2016 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva Corte Pavone Vigna Poggio Molino al Vento shows a sweet element of **ripe cherry and rum cake** that helps to balance out the oak spice and tar. This wine also **enjoys a nice signature of acidity that pulls it tightly together on the close**. Fruit is biodynamic and organic.



FALSTAFF

Sattes, dunkles Rubin, feiner Granatrand. Zeigt satte Noten nach Waldhimbeere, etwas getrocknete Steinpilze, sehr ansprechend. **Stoffig und dicht** in Ansatz und Verlauf, **viel frische Frucht**, vor allem Kirsche, kerniges **Tannin, gut eingebunden**.

Best of

# Brunello di Montalcino 2016 Riserva

## *Anemone al Sole*



JAMES SUCKLING

„A super-vivid, complete and authentic Brunello.“



ROBERT PARKER

„dark fruit and spice...“



FALSTAFF

„Viel saftige Frucht am Gaumen...“



VITAE



VINI BUONI D'ITALIA TONY WOOD



„Warm entry...“



# Brunello di Montalcino 2016 Riserva

*Anemone al Sole*



JAMES SUCKLING

A rich and deep Brunello, but still incredibly lively, with a melange of red and black cherries and some nice, tarry plushness, violet extract, roasted sesame from the oak and sweet spices. Juicy and full-bodied, but it remains deep and mineral, with velvety tannins that are so caressing. Long and delicious finish. A super-vivid, complete and authentic Brunello, showing sensual flesh and well-structured bones. Already great, but it is a beauty in the making. Drink or hold.



ROBERT PARKER

The Loacker 2016 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva Corte Pavone Anemone al Sole (an organic and biodynamic wine) is redolent of dark fruit and spice, although some aged aromas of licorice and cola are also slipped in for greater effect and power. The wine is tarry and smoky for sure. At the end of the day, this wine is a little too defined by the oak and alcohol at this stage, but it should hopefully soften with time in the bottle.



FALSTAFF

Kraftvolles, leuchtendes Rubin. Eröffnet in der Nase mit betont erdigen Noten, nach Roter Bete und Eisenrost, dahinter viel Brombeere und dunkle Kirsche. Viel saftige Frucht am Gaumen, öffnet sich mit griffigem, gut eingebundenem Tannin, wirkt sehr frisch, im Finale etwas trocknend.

Best of

# 7 Dynamic Brunello Cru Map





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