

## James Suckling's Recommended Wines From Tuscany

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### TOP WINES (continued)

WINE	SCORE	PRICE
<b>LAZZERETTI</b> Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2004	95	\$100
This has layers of rich, opulent fruit, offering berry, prune, chocolate and coffee flavors, with ripe, velvety tannins.		
<b>LUCE DELLA VITE</b> Toscana 2007	95	\$94
A dense and powerful red, with currant and toasty oak character. Full and chewy. Structured and impressive. Very New World.		
<b>PETROLO</b> Toscana Galatrona 2008	95	\$135
A powerful young Merlot, with green olive, sweet tobacco and tapenade character. Polished and impressive for the vintage.		
<b>PIAZZANO</b> Syrah Colli della Toscana Centrale 2007	95	\$33
Shows the classic meat, dried berry and milk chocolate notes. Velvety and intense, with loads of fruit and a succulent finish.		
<b>LIVIO SASSETTI</b> Brunello di Montalcino Pertimali Riserva 2004	95	\$83
A very raisiny Brunello that verges on Amarone in style and character. Full-bodied, round and Porty.		
<b>LA SERENA</b> Brunello di Montalcino Gemini 2004	95	\$115
Dark red in color, showing impressive aromas of dried dark fruits, with a wonderful core of ripe, beautiful fruit.		
<b>SESTA DI SOPRA</b> Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2004	95	\$200 1.5L
Silky, wonderfully polished tannins coat every inch of the palate in this full, dense and balanced Brunello. So gorgeous.		
<b>TORNESI</b> Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2004	95	\$70
A full-throttle Brunello, with intense aromas and flavors of prune, toasty oak and roasted coffee. So much on the palate.		
<b>VITANZA</b> Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2004	95	\$78
Lovely aromas of dried flowers, licorice, blueberry and mineral lead to a full body, with plenty of subtle fruit.		

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<b>GEOGRAFICO</b> Chianti Classico 2007	90	\$18
A ripe and fruity red, with lovely strawberry and raspberry character.		
<b>PICCINI</b> Chianti Classico Riserva 2007	90	\$19
Ripe and layered, with dried berries and plum on the nose and palate.		
<b>RUFFINO</b> Toscana Il Ducale 2007	90	\$18
A little lean, but with plenty of ripe fruit, offering flavors of blueberry.		
<b>SAN FELICE</b> Vermentino Maremma Toscana 2009	90	\$12
Full-bodied, featuring green melon and lemon on the nose and palate.		
<b>VITICCIO</b> Chianti Classico 2008	90	\$23
Floral, berry and vanilla aromas lead to a full body, with loads of fruit.		
<b>MAZZEI</b> Maremma Toscana Serrata di Belguardo 2008	89	\$19
This solid red offers dark berry, cedar and fresh sliced plum flavors.		
<b>PICCINI</b> Chianti Selezione Oro Riserva 2007	89	\$16
Medium-bodied, with plenty of ripe fruit aromas, verging on raisin.		
<b>CAPEZZANA</b> Toscana Monna Nera 2007	88	\$8
Medium and chewy, displaying plum and cedar on the nose and palate.		
<b>PICCINI</b> Chianti Classico 2008	88	\$15
Full-bodied and silky, with a lovely core of fruit and subtle richness.		
<b>VILLA PILLO</b> Toscana Borgoforte 2008	88	\$12
Sweet blackberry and cherry aromas and flavors lead to a full body.		
<b>CASTELLO BANFI</b> Toscana Centine Red 2009	87	\$11
A juicy young red, with berry character and soft, velvety tannins.		
<b>LA CALONICA</b> Sangiovese Cortona Calcinaio 2009	87	\$11
Floral and fruity aromas lead to a medium body, with bright acidity.		
<b>BIBI GRAETZ</b> Toscana Casamatta Red 2009	87	\$12
This delicious red is grapey and fruity, with raspberry character.		
<b>BIBI GRAETZ</b> Toscana Casamatta White 2009	87	\$12
Full, fruity and pretty, with lemon, pear and sliced apple flavors.		
<b>PIAZZANO</b> Colli della Toscana Centrale Ventoso 2009	87	\$12
A little jammy and funky, but offers nicely decadent, chocolaty flavors.		
<b>ROCCA DELLE MACIE</b> Maremma Toscana White Occhio al Vento 2009	87	\$15
Very minerally, with good fruit and dried grapefruit character.		
<b>ROCCA DELLE MACIE</b> Sangiovese Toscana Rubizzo 2009	87	\$13
A bright, fruity young Sangiovese. Medium, fruity and delicious.		
<b>PICCINI</b> Chianti 2009	86	\$9
Juicy and fresh, with black cherry aromas and good fruit.		
<b>TIAMO</b> Chianti 2009	86	\$12
This delicate and bright Chianti has loads of cherry character.		
<b>CASTELLO BANFI</b> Toscana Centine White 2009	85	\$11
A fresh, creamy white, exhibiting apple and lemon character.		
<b>COLTIBUONO</b> Toscana Cancelli 2009	85	\$11
A little tart, but pleasant berry character comes through.		

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<b>POGGIO BONELLI</b> Chianti Classico Riserva 2006	92	\$24
Big and powerful, with berry, coffee, toasty oak and grilled meat notes.		
<b>LE CINCIOLE</b> Chianti Classico 2007	91	\$25
Layered and pretty. Shows berry and cherry character, with new wood.		
<b>LE CORTI</b> Maremma Toscana Birillo 2007	91	\$19
Full-bodied and a little jammy, with plum and sultana character.		
<b>MARCHESI DE' FRESCOBALDI</b> Chianti Rufina Castello di Nipozzano Riserva 2007	91	\$22
This burly Rufina is full and satisfying, with dried dark fruits.		
<b>VECCHIA CANTINA DI MONTEPULCIANO</b> Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Terre di Rubinoro 2006	91	\$16
Perfumed and silky, with blueberry, sandalwood and blackberry notes.		
<b>AIA VECCHIA</b> Toscana Lagone 2008	90	\$17
Full, velvety and juicy, with Christmas pudding and dried fruit flavors.		
<b>CASTELLO D'ALBOLA</b> Chianti Classico 2007	90	\$17