

# BRU NELLO

DI MONTALCINO

2020

# Brunello di Montalcino 2020



SANGIOVESE

100%

Brunello di Montalcino is one of the wine glories of modern Italian oenology. DOCG since 1980, it is produced in Tuscany, in an area located about 40 km south of Siena, precisely in the area of Montalcino, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The so-called 'hill' of Montalcino consists of about 24,000 hectares, of which about 3,500 are dedicated to the cultivation of the vines. The variety of Sangiovese (here renamed 'Grosso'), from which Brunello di Montalcino is obtained, is incredibly sensitive to the soils on which it is cultivated. Montalcino, like the Langhe, has a very rare heterogeneity of soils, exposures and altitudes, the basis of the great quality of its wines. Clay, tuff, limestone and marl, from which Galestro and Alberese derive. The latter two are located at the highest altitudes. The high position of the plants, together with a rich mosaic of variables, have determined the peculiarity of Brunello since its origin. The plants in the territory of Montalcino grow at altitudes ranging from 100 to 661 meters above sea level. The cultivation area, for climatic and

soil homogeneity, can be divided into four sub-zones (quadrants), oriented according to the cardinal directions, then northeast, northwest, southeast and southwest, which have cusps in the locality of Poggio Civitella, precisely 661 meters above sea level, then descend into the different territories of competence. The most used training system is the spur cordon. The climate tends to be dry, although there are some inflections of the continental climate. The nearby Monte Amiata helps mitigate weather events of great intensity. In the winery, Brunello di Montalcino is typically created through a blend of different parcels located in different zones of the cultivation area to ensure a wine which is not too homogeneous nor too different from a single cru. Recently, however, many wineries have developed a concept of viticulture that privileges wines obtained from a single vineyard, beyond the average geographical location, and they started interpreting in their own way a concept of 'cru' that will surely represent one of the trends for the future.

The 2019 harvest can be described as exceptional, due to the extraordinary quality of the products obtained. The climate has been extremely consistent, with the first half of the year being quite rigid and humid, the spring rains have allowed the creation of important water reserves in the soil, suitable for facing a moderately hot summer, without particular heat peaks prolonged over time and characterized by reduced rainfall. The month of September saw mild temperatures and significant temperature fluctuations between day and night, which allowed the perfect phenolic ripening of the grapes. Each phase of the vine's vegetative phase provided the plant with what it needed: humidity, cool, light, heat, thermal overhang, and ventilation, reaching harvest time with juicy grapes and a richness in tannins. The wines produced from these exceptional grapes displayed balanced analytical data during the initial stages of vinification, with a peak value for both anthocyanins and polyphenols.



## 2020 Vintage

The 2020 vintage was characterized by concentrated fruit, good freshness, and tension. It was a vintage that delivered fairly consistent results, with an overall very good quality level and some excellent highlights.

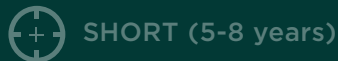
The climate ensured favourable conditions for the ripening of Sangiovese, combining quality and balance.



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## GARDINI NOTES WINE RANKING

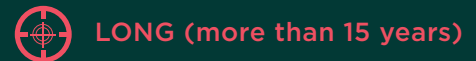
The targets are three: short (5-8 years), medium (10-15 years) and long (more than 15 years), which denote the aging potential of the wine.



SHORT (5-8 years)



MEDIUM (10-15 years)



LONG (more than 15 years)

98+



### Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna del Suolo 2020 ARGIANO

One of the pinnacle of the zoning project of the house, now an untouchable name, cranberry nose, wild mint, shades of yellow peach and nderbrush. Mouth with refined tannins, citrus appeal, mentholated lashing, extraordinary drinkability.



98+



### Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna Montosoli 2020 CANALICCHIO DI SOPRA

Vineyard Filari Lunghi, soils predominantly of Galestro, an imposing wine, intense and juicy. Pomegranate on the nose, hints of chinotto, touches of eucalyptus and wild iris. The drink has a citrus and balsamic appeal, with red fruits and balsamic notes. Great length.



98+



### Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Giovanni Neri 2020 CASANOVA DI NERI

Since the last acquisition of the house, a modern classic. Smell with hints of black cherry and pink pepper, then laurel and dehydrated thyme nuances. It opens to the juicy and taut palate, highlighting salty-savory tannins and spicy notes. It closes on officinal notes and red fruit.



98+



### Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Tenuta Nuova 2020 CASANOVA DI NERI

From the project started in the 90s, a Brunello of finesse and elegance. Nose of red currant, then mint and nettarina, with hints of geranium and red orange. The mouthfeel has salty tannins, notes of small fruits and closes persistent on menthol notes.



98+



### Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020 LE CHIUSE

The valuable project now conducted by Simonetta, northeast quadrant of the 'hill', a property already production site of the Reserve of Biondi-Santi, masterful reading of Brunello, aroma with marasca, hints of marjoram, sanguinella and peony. Salty taste, great persistence.



## TOP 100

98+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**LE POTAZZINE**

Great classic of the name, raw material with the usual crispness, nose reminiscent of late blackberry, with gardeny streaks, clementine zest and rhubarb. Refined and tasty tannins on the palate, citrus memories, hints of small fruit notes.



98

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CAMIGLIANO**

Fermented in stainless steel, then in oak barrels for 24 months, the beautiful label of the sustainable project of the Ghezzi family. Nose with white currant, juniper, rhubarb and marjoram. Mouthfeel that highlights dense and velvety tannins, underbrush recall.



98

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna La Casaccia**  
**2020**  
**CANALICCHIO DI SOPRA**

From the vineyard of the same name in cru Canalicchio, aged for 36 months in oak from Slavonia, olfactory attack on notes of cranberry jam, ginger, then touches of wild mint and gardenia, with hints of juniper. The palate is salty, dense, with minty memories and small fruits.



98

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Pianrosso 2020**  
**CIACCI PICCOLOMINI D'ARAGONA**

Vineyard of the same name, located in the south-eastern quadrant of the appellation, vinified in stainless steel and glass cement tanks, aged in oak, notes of cornflower, then hints of rosemary and caper under salt, salty sip, with return of small fruits and official references.



98

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**FATTORIA DEI BARBI**

Solid wine making protocol for one of the 'historians' of the typology. It opens the nose with notes of wild strawberry, then sage, whiskers of myrtle and citrus, red orange. Iodate to the mouth, with small fruits and official sensations. Persistence closure.



98

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**GIODO**

The charismatic Brunello from the impeccable wine project of Carlo Ferrini, a scent that attacks on notes of red plum, splattered with geranium, with hints of taggiasca olive and eucalyptus. The taste has well amalgamated tannins to the fresh-savory component. It closes balsamic, with long aftertaste.



## TOP 100

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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vecchie Vigne 2020**  
**SIRO PACENTI**

*Sangiovese, aged in barrique, from raw material of rare crispness, product of vines over 35 years old and sustainable protocols. Marasca to the nose, accompanied by hints of marjoram and rhubarb, with touches of clementine peel. The sip is dense and crisp, savory, with a fruity appeal.*



97+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Colombaio 2020**  
**CAVA D'ONICE**

*From a parcel of less than half a hectare located in the north-east of the designation, plants about 30 years old and aged in small cask, nose with black blueberry in jam, then nutmeg and nettle. The taste highlights brackish tannins, perfectly integrated in the gustatory texture. It closes spicy.*



97+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Poggiarelli 2020**  
**CORTONESI**

*The ideal complement, for expressiveness and varietal coloring, of the laudable work developed in parallel on the cru de La Mannella. Smell with hints of red mulberry, nuances of nutmeg and sensations of gardenia and marjoram. The sip is iodate-salty, with small fruit hints.*



97+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**FULIGNI**

*Brunello of identity, the result of a protocol aimed at enhancing the elegance of Sangiovese di Montalcino. Imposing aroma, which attacks on notes of pomegranate, with touches of juniper and wild mint and hints of licorice root. Savory palate, recall notes of red fruit and balsamic notes.*



97+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**GORELLI**

*North-east quadrant, impeccable cleanliness in a very distinctive Brunello. Nose that begins on notes of late blackberry, nutmeg, thyme and wild iris. The mouth is salty, rich in density and tension, it closes on floral and fruity memories.*



97+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna Schiena d'Asino 2020**  
**MASTROJANNI**

*Plants even over fifty years old, in cellar refined and careful aging, a Brunello of character, nose with red plum, touches of ginger and rhubarb, with sensations of juniper. With a savory tannins to the mouth, it closes with hints of small fruits and citrus notes.*



TOP 100

97+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Ofelio 2020****PATRIZIA CENCIONI**

Great accuracy between vineyard and cellar, with long macerations and aging of 40 months in oak from Slavonia. Nose of corniolo, hints of chinotto and eucalyptus, with touches of white pepper. Nice tension to the taste, with return of small fruits and balsamic tension. Closes citrusy.



97+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020****RIDOLFI**

Medium-sized soil, rich in clay, located north-east of the hill, enriched by protocols in bio management. Nose of red raspberry, hints of laurel and peony, closed by sensations of red orange. The mouthfeel has sapid, juicy tannins with a finish on citrus and floral notes.



97+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020****SAN LORENZO**

North-west of the name, solid design, with qualitative results of good constancy. Aroma that opens on notes of white currant, then bergamot and cinnamon, with touches of clementine zest. Salty to the palate, with return of citrus sensations and small fruits.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna Marrucheto 2020****BANFI**

The culmination of a long-term zoning work, which has made school, coming from three plots of the vineyard of the same name. Smell that attacks on notes of yellow raspberry, then touches of bloody orange and hints of caper fruit. Dense on the nose, with citrus and small fruits.



97

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020****CAPANNA**

Montosoli hill, a firm of great tradition and solid reliability. Nose with notes of red blackberry, touches of mint and peony, with memories of liquorice. The mouthfeel is savory and juicy, dense, with hints of undergrowth and vigorous mint coming out.



97

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna del Fiore 2020****FATTORIA DEI BARBI**

A small historical parcel, ground of Galestro and Alberese, from criomacerate grapes and subsequently aged in small, medium and large capacity barrels, olfaction with late red raspberry, hints of marjoram and liquorice powder, mouth with return of fruity notes, sapid tannins, excellent persistence.

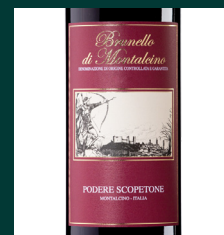


## TOP 100

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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**PODERE SCOPETONE**

*A small, refined production, in organic management, the one of Loredana Tanganelli and Antonio Brandi, in the locality of La Melina. Aroma with notes of yellow raspberry, then eucalyptus and citrus tones of thyme, with puffs of carnation. To the taste has salty tannins, officinal and floral memories.*



97

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Pertimali 2020**  
**SASSETTI LIVIO PERTIMALI**

*Classic-style label, great elegance and a hint of (precious) austerity coming from the north-western quadrant of the appellation, with notes of marasca on the nose, hints of cloves and sprinkles of bloody orange peel, the palate is salty. Closed by citrus and spicy memories.*



97

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Pelagrilli 2020**  
**SIRO PACENTI**

*Vines of 25 years old, a protocol aimed at preserving the taste freshness, a Brunello of incisive juiciness and tension. Wild plum, hints of wild mint and gardenia on the nose. In the mouth, balsamic density and appeal, with fruity and floral memories.*



97

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Costa di Monte 2020**  
**TENUTA DI SESTA**

*The estate of Giovanni Ciacci, southwest quadrant of the 'hill', a Brunello of tension and refinement. Olfaction with cornflower, then lime, nuances of white pepper and iodine. To the mouth is salty and juicy, with notes of small fruits, closed on the scents of sweet spices.*



96+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**COL DI LAMO**

*North-eastern quadrant of the appellation, Sangiovese from natural fermentation and aging in tonneau and large cask. Nose with cranberry, hints of chinotto and rhubarb. The palate is savory and of nice tension, with citrus appeal and hints of small fruits.*



96+

**Brunello di Montalcino 2020**  
**RABISSI**

*Castelnuovo dell'Abate area, label daughter of a refined protocol, which in aging prefers the small cask. Olfaction that attacks on notes of blueberry, then sensations of liquorice root and cinnamon in pods. Salty taste. It closes on spicy memories, with underbrush recall.*





TOP 100

96+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Donna Rebecca 2020**  
**RIDOLFI**

From Mercatali, northeast quadrant, a classic Brunello, with very long fermentation/maceration and aging in Slavonian oak. Red currant, orange and cloves hints on the nose, with a salty-iodate mouthfeel, with a citrus and spicy appeal. Persistent.



96+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna Colombaiolo 2020**  
**TASSI**

One of the highlights of the house, the result of precision between vineyard and cellar. Nose that attacks on notes of red plum, then peony and wild mint, with a savory taste, with menthol and floral notes. It closes with great extension and recall of fruity touches.



96

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna Montosoli 2020**  
**ALTESINO**

From a historic vineyard of 5 ha in the north-east area of Montalcino, vinified as such since 1975, nose that begins on notes of blackberry, lime and orange blood, with hints of black pepper. Salty tannins in the mouth, with a reminder of citrus and officinal sensations.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CANALICCHIO DI SOPRA**

Plant of great balance and elegance for the "vintage" Brunello by Ripaccioli, now another paradigm of reliability. Nose with notes of raspberry jam, hints of marjoram, then white pepper and underbrush nuances. The palate is savory, with return of small fruits.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Campo del Drago 2020**  
**CASTIGLION DEL BOSCO**

From a specially identified plot of the Capanna vineyard, located at 430 meters, nose with cranberry, then eucalyptus, star anise and nuances of clementine zest. On the palate it shows brackish tannins, balsamic memories and closing notes of small red fruits.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Luce 2020**  
**FRESCOBALDI - TENUTA LUCE**

One of the most anticipated releases of the typology, elegance and sharpness of the raw material, result of an impeccable protocol in the cellar, with Tulipe and small barrels on the shields. Blueberry, rhubarb, shadows of garrigue. Savory taste, with hints of small fruits and underbrush notes.



96

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna Loreto 2020**  
**MASTROJANNI**

Great accuracy between the vineyard and the cellar for an icon of this type. Great tension on the nose, red currant jam, citrine thyme sensations, then gardenia and nutmeg. In the mouth, officinal and small fruit memories, with spicy hints. It closes with long persistence.



96

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Piero 2020**  
**TALENTI**

The selection from a very prized vineyard of less than 2 ha in wine-dedicated to the founder Pierluigi, for 24 months in tonneau of French oak. Refined aroma, notes of red mulberry in jam, then laurel and floral touches, peony. The sip is juicy-savory, the finish marked by floral notes.



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Poggio Alle Mura 2020**  
**BANFI**

Apical point of the splendid work of zoning company, refined in small size wood. Notes of blackberry to the nose, hints of laurel, nuances of peony and black pepper in grains. Salty mouth, with spicy notes and hints of small black fruits. Long persistence.



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Nicco 2020**  
**CAPANNA**

One of the highest expressions from the north-eastern quadrant of Montalcino, the daughter of an impeccable work between vineyard and cellar. Smell with black cherry, hints of liquorice, then sensations of wild mint and juniper. Sip with tension and spice, recall notes of menthol and underbrush.



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CASANOVA DI NERI**

Brunello-symbol of the deep territorial work of house Neri, amplified by a great cellar protocol. Cranberry to the nose, nuances of tobacco, hints of laurel and peony, closed by mentholated vibrations. Brackish, with floral and small fruit memories.



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Sensis 2020**  
**CAVA D'ONICE**

From an impeccable project that combines great soil structure to right practices between countryside and cellar. Olfaction of wild plum, hints of marjoram, underbrush and rhubarb. Iodized-salty to the taste, enhanced by dark peel fruit recalls. Great persistence.



## TOP 100

95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CIACCI PICCOLOMINI D'ARAGONA**

*Elegant and very well balanced. Nose with corniolo sensations, then caper fruits, black pepper in grains and hints of eucalyptus. Juicy and taut mouthfeel, with sapid tannins. It closes with memories of small fruits and balsamic sensations, accompanied by iodine memories.*



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG La Mannella 2020**  
**CORTONESI**

*From the historic estate, a Brunello with a classic plant and great olfactory impact: black mulberry on the nose, touches of clementine peel, then cinnamon, to the salty palate, with a finish on notes of small fruits and sweet spices. Persistent.*



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**FATTOI**

*Very good and elegant, one of the most characteristic results of the southern slope of the 'hill', from spontaneous fermentation and aging for 36 months in oak. Blueberry, sensations of rose hip, then cinnamon and laurel in olfaction. The sip is intense, with hints of small red and spicy fruits.*



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**IL POGGIONE**

*From some of the oldest family vineyards, one of the most classic readings of the typology, from 36 months of aging in large cask. Nose with red raspberry, red orange and gardenia puffs, with mentholated nuances. The taste has salty tannins, then hints of red and floral fruits.*



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG La Pieve 2020**  
**LA GERLA**

*Raw material of high quality for an authoritative Brunello and excellent gustatory charge. Pomegranate, touches of nutmeg and eucalyptus on the nose, closing on notes of peony. Taut and juicy mouth, fragrant tannins, ends with a hint of balsamic notes.*



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**PATRIZIA CENCIONI**

*A refined project the one of Cencioni house, also characterized by a constant quality results. Olfactory attack on notes of cranberry, then powdered licorice and wild iris. With a hint of salty tannins, with touches of officinal notes and undergrowth. Excellent persistence.*



TOP 100

95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Ugolforte 2020**  
SAN GIORGIO

The historical project ilcinese son of the intuitions of Guido Folonari in one of his banners. Solid processing protocol for great sharpness results: red raspberry, hints of white pepper and blood orange, with puffs of ginger on the nose. The palate shows iodised tannins, closed by a spicy-citrusy memory.



95+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
TALENTI

Also in the 'vintage' Brunello all the strength of the management of Riccardo Talenti, expression of the southwest quadrant of the DOCG. Aroma with cornflower, then gardenia, notes of nutmeg and wild rosemary. The mouthfeel is juicy-savory, with perfectly integrated tannins and memories of sweet spices.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
ARGIANO

Great taste-olfactory refinement for a Brunello aged 24 months in large cask. Attack to the nose with sensations of marasca, then hints of mint from Aosta Valley, again sanguinella peel and white pepper. Drink of tension, with sapid tannins, citrusy-mentholated call.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna La Casa 2020**  
CAPARZO

Bottled for the first time as 'cru' in 1977, one of those labels that have marked the history of ilcinese. Aroma that attacks on notes of blackcurrant, lime, feelings of rhubarb, with slight spice of ginger coming out. Savory tannins to the mouth, with reminiscence of the small fruits and spices.



95

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
COL D'ORCIA

From the area of Sant'Angelo in Colle, a Brunello able to combine important numbers with impeccable quality, thanks to the weapon of balance. Queen cherry on the nose, white pepper, hints of china and caramelized orange zest. On the palate, brackish tannins, red fruit, then spices and persistence.



95

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
MASTROJANNI

From Podere Loreto and Podere San Pio, aged for 36 months in oak barrels of Allier. Elegance and great taste tension. Black mulberry on the nose, wild sage and gardenia puffs, then nutmeg. Sip with salty tannins, return of notes of small fruits and fine taste tension.



## TOP 100

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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020****ROBERTO CIPRESSO**

*The magical hectare of Poggio al Sole, epicenter of Roberto's substantial project. Aging in small barrels of first and second pass, to intensify the quality of the raw material, Vignola vberry in olfaction, then licorice and rhubarb. Iodized drink, with memory of the small fruits and sweet spices.*



95

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Greppone Mazzi 2020****RUFFINO**

*A historic estate, the one of Greppone Mazzi, since the late 70s at the center of the interests ilcinese Ruffino, origin of a peculiar Brunello, of great pleasure, with hints of wild plum to the nose, nuances of peony and ginger. The small fruits return to the palate, with floral and spicy hints.*



95

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Dei Comunali 2020****SAN FILIPPO**

*Vineyard located on the eastern side of the hill, with very peculiar soil, fermented in concrete, then aged in medium oak for a maximum of 28 months, it sticks to the nose with hints of black cherry, then nutmeg, underbrush. Juicy and savory mouth, with spicy memory.*



95

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Mulino 2020****SASSETTI LIVIO PERTIMALI**

*The reliability of the winery led by Lorenzo also in this unmovable type, still played on the freshness and juiciness of drink. Cranberry nose, hints of rosemary and peony, with citrus touches of clementine. Iodized sip, with red fruit reminders.*



95

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020****SCOPONE**

*The historic estate, daughter of the entrepreneurial visions of the Minari family, already able to give consistency to the expression of the territory of the south-east. Olfactory freshness, hints of cornflower, chinotto, with touches of eucalyptus. Salty mouthfeel, with memory of small red fruits and balsamic nuances.*



94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020****LA MAGIA**

*Remarkable Brunello from vines over forty years old, natural fermentation in steel and troncoconics of wood, then refined in tonneau, olfaction with marasca, puffs of wild mint and nuances of nutmeg. Savory mouth, fruity-official return, density and tension.*



## TOP 100

94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna delle Raunate****2020**  
**MOCALI**

*Part of the history of the appellation, aged in oak vats between small and large wood. Nose of red raspberry in jam, then red orange and rhubarb sticks, on balsamic evidence. To the taste has salty tannins, return of red and citrus fruit.*



94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vignavecchia 2020****SAN POLO**

*A vineyard of only two hectares, planted in 1988, characterized by the propitious slope, from which originates a Sangiovese with descriptors of cranberry, then cinnamon and sensations of rose hip and juicy and savory sip, with perfectly amalgamated tannins and fruity memories. It closes on floral notes.*



94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Sassodisole 2020****SASSODISOLE**

*The sustainable project of great respect for the countryside and raw material of the Terzuoli family, in a Brunello aged in large cask of Slavonian oak. It opens the nose with notes of blackcurrant, followed by hints of wild sage and nutmeg. Brackish mouthfeel, with recall of small fruits.*



94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020****TENUTA DI SESTA**

*Splendid location a stone's throw from the Castelnuovo dell'Abate area, southwest of Montalcino, a Brunello that opens to the nose on notes of marasca, with laurel and hints of powdered licorice. Salty sip, taut, with spicy notes and red fruit.*



94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020****TENUTA LA FUGA**

*Camigliano's historic district, a raw material of certified quality for the Brunello, the son of the Folonari family project. Blackberry and blood rind on the nose, nuances of marjoram, whipped black pepper in grains. Savory drink, with memories of small fruit.*



94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vigna Soccorso 2020****TIEZZI**

*Just 2 hectares on a balcony overlooking the Val d'Orcia, a few steps from the center of Montalcino, with vines raised in trees. Raw material still on the shields, olfaction with wild plum, pepperleaf whipped, then laurel and licorice powder. Brackish mouth, closes with officinal memory.*



TOP 100

94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
VILLA AL CORTILE - PICCINI

South side of the 'hill', between Montosoli and Lavacchio, a classic Brunello, characterized by the fine precision of cellar. Raspberry in jam to the nose, nuances of peony and chinotto peel, then rhubarb. With a savory taste, notes of flowers and fruit in jam.



94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Pomona 2020**  
VILLA POGGIO SALVI

The 'muse' of a cellar with substantial roots, the result of an impeccable processing protocol. Wild plum in fragrance, hints of sage, memories of nutmeg and gardenia. Mouth crisp and taut, with salty tannins, hints of dark fruit and officinal peel.



94+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
PALAZZO RIVOLO

Label of excellent freshness. Nose with red fruit florilegium, pomegranate in particular, with notes of bergamot, hints of ginger and lime. The taut palate evokes freshness, with hints of citrus and small fruits. It closes with officinal memories.



94

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Camponovo 2020**  
AISNA - ALESSANDRO ROSSI

The Brunello-symbol of the work of Alessandro Rossi in reinterpreting the typology of Brunello. Aroma that attacks on notes of black cherry, then hints of cinchona, shades of sanguinella peel and gardenia. The taste is rightly tannic, with hints of fruity and citrus.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
ALTESINO

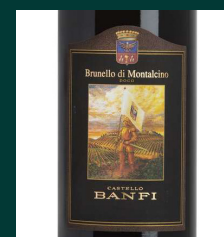
A process of great accuracy, fermentation in stainless steel, with maceration of 15 days, then aging for 24 months in oak barrels. Strawberry to the nose, licorice root and eucalyptus whipped, closed on notes of white pepper. Balsamic mouthfeel, with a memory of red fruit.



94

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
BANFI

Label that is not superfluous to call 'iconic', the result of a protocol between the country and the cellar, in search of maximum expressiveness of Sangiovese. It opens the nose on notes of red raspberry, then clove and marjoram. Mouth with salty-savory tannins, floral puffs and persistence.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CAPARZO**

One of the wines-symbol of the great work of renewal carried out in Montalcino, bottled for the first time in 1970. 36 months in large cask for a wine with an olfactory attack of red currant, hints of red orange and touches of ginger. The sip is tense and vivid, with a citrus-like memory and small fruits.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CARPINETO**

Microclimate good for a 500 meters estate, soil predominantly of gallinerium and clay. It opens the nose with hints of cranberries, followed by nuances of marjoram and wild iris, then touches of cinnamon. Mouth with brackish tannins and fruity-floral appeal.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CASTELLO ROMITORIO**

Conscious assembly of young and old plants, one of the iconic products of the house Chia. Crisp scent, red raspberry, hints of cloves, clementine peel with hints of wild mint. The mouth is savory, rightly tannic and of excellent persistence.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CASTIGLION DEL BOSCO**

The exclusivity of the location, northwest of Montalcino, the Vineyard Capanna and soils rich in shale to participate in the rigour of this label. Black blueberry to the nose, then star anise and laurel, with hints of ginger. Brakish mouthfeel, with spicy appeal and herbs.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**COLLEMATTONI**

Southwest quadrant of the designation, a refined Brunello, impeccable cleanliness. It opens the nose on notes of cornel, hints of liquorice powder and incense, then peel of Mandarin. Salty to the sip, with small fruits and citrus notes.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**COLLOSORBO**

Ciacci-Sutera Sardo family estate, started by Giuseppe and now managed by Giovanna, with daughters Laura and Lucia, in a Brunello that is born from solid country work and principles of minimal interventionism in the cellar. Morella cherry olfaction, cloves puffs, taut and fruity aftertaste.





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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
FOSSACOLLE

*The Brunello by Marchetti, rich in substance and of impeccable extraction, opens to the nose with notes of wild plum, followed by a rind of sanguinella and nuances of carnation. Sapid tannins on the palate, with notes of dark fruit and persistent.*



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
LA GERLA

*Excellent label from vines that have just passed in quarter of century, grapes harvested manually and 24 months of aging in large cask. Red currant jam on the nose, hints of cinnamon and violet. Taut mouth, persistent. It closes with officinal tension and spice.*



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Ciliegio 2020**  
LA MAGIA

*Nice tasting from the organic project of the Schwarz family, old vines, close to 50 years old, fermentation between steel and conical vats, aging in small wood, a wine with an olfactory profile of black cherry, then eucalyptus and nutmeg. Iodized mouth, with red fruit recalls.*



94

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
LISINI

*Sant'Angelo in Colle, a traditional estate where you can read an elegant Brunello, of undoubtedly classic print. Nose with notes of cherry Ferrovia, then rose hips and juniper. The palate has sapid tannins and is of remarkable intensity. It closes with a memory of the underbrush.*



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
MARTOCCIA

*Nomen omen, Luca Brunelli, in his reading of Grosso, aged 36 months in Slavonian oak barrels and, partially, in barrique. Great concentration of fruit, blackberry, nutmeg and tobacco, with underbrush puffs, in olfaction. The sip is salty, spicy and of appreciable persistence.*



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
POGGIO ANTICO

*One of the most ambitious realities in the ilcinese range, discovered in 2017 by Marcel van Poecke, a label with impeccable taste. Attack to the nose with cranberry, marjoram and nutmeg whipped, then rhubarb. Iodized-salty tannins to the taste, on notes of small fruits and balsamic hints.*



## TOP 100

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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Podernovi 2020**  
**SAN POLO**

*From 3 hectares a new, visionary, house project, a Brunello that is already proving itself on levels of appreciable reliability. Nose of freshness, pomegranate, bergamot peel and white pepper nuances, with garrigue. The mouthfeel is savory, of fine persistence.*



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Sasso di Luna 2020**  
**SASSODISOLE**

*The beautiful reality of the Terzuoli family, northeast quadrant of Montalcino, in a reading that does justice to a house dedicated to wine production from the seventeenth century. Black currants in jam, sensations of myrtle and liquorice powder in olfaction, brackish mouth, memories of small fruits.*



94

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**SESTI**

*An impressive estate, located in the southwest quadrant of the appellation, a flawless work of the vineyard, accompanied by low invasiveness practices in the cellar. Vignola cherry on the nose, hints of laurel and rhubarb. Density and tension, accompanied by salty tannins, on the palate.*



94

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**UCCELLIERA**

*A modern Brunello, by Andrea Cortonesi, with grapes processed with carbon dioxide in the pre-fermentation phase, then aged in a mixture of woods, between Slavonia and French oak. Olfaction that attacks on notes of red raspberry, clementine peel and cloves. Savory mouth, with memory of small fruits.*



94

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**VILLA POGGIO SALVI**

*Great consistency for the 'vintage' Brunello from the 'Cantina della Pomona', vigorous nose, which opens on notes of rosehip, then pomegranate in jam and hints of wild mint. Mouthfeel still scented with red fruit, mentholated appeal and a closure with savory sensations.*



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CASISANO**

*The winery is the result of investments by the Tommasi family in Montalcino, with a clear classic label. 36 months in Slavonian oak, a bottle that highlights the olfactory attack on the sensations of cinnamon, then wild plum and marjoram nuances. Iodized sip, still closes on spicy notes.*



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CASTELLO FINOTO**

Vigorous richness of taste and aroma for a Brunello that opens, on the nose, notes of sandalwood, then hints of blackberry, cloves and dried laurel. The mouthfeel is rightly tannic, with hints of spicy sensations and small dark fruits memories.



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**CUPANO**

The splendid sustainable reality created by Ornella and Lionel, in one of the labels that have consolidated its reputation. Raw material on the shields, with a rosmarin aroma, then red currants, with hints of tobacco and black pepper in grains. Savory mouth, great persistence.



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Vallocchio 2020**  
**FANTI**

From the 5 historical vineyards of the company, fermented entirely in stainless steel, aged in a mix of woods, from tonneau to 30 hl barrel, it shows an olfactory attack of freshness, with hints of cranberry, followed by lashes of laurel and orange peel. Sip with salty tannins, closes with citrusy notes.



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Castelgiocondo 2020**  
**FRESCOBALDI - CASTELGIOCONDO**

The rare variety of soil and the richness of the location of Castelgiocondo in the center of this solid reliability Brunello. Blueberry to the nose, hints of wild mint and rhubarb, closed on notes of iris. Salty palate, recall of small fruits with floral puffs.



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
**IL PALAZZONE**

One of the most interesting prospects in the ilcinese landscape, acquired in 2023 by 'Mr. Expedià', Peter Kern, in a classic label, aged 32 months in wood. Olfaction with cherry of Lari, nuances of nutmeg and eucalyptus puffs. Memories of red fruit at the palate, salty tension.



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Campo di Marzo 2020**  
**IL VALENTIANO**

Label born from a commendable work, of impeccable precision and sustainability, in the vineyard, and from linear ideas in the cellar, shows an olfactory attack with notes of cranberry, memories of wild sage and clementine peel. Juicy and iodized mouth, with evidence of the fruity-citrusy return.



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
LA FIORITA

The estate that is due to the passion of Natalie Oliveros and Louis Camilleri in his idea of Brunello, fermented in concrete, aged for 36 months in large wood and some still in cement. The scents are those of red mulberry, with nuances of cloves and peony, savory to the mouth.



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Botrone 2020**  
LA PALAZZETTA

20 hectares of vineyards, a splendid panorama overlooking the Abbey of Sant'Antimo, a Brunello born of ideas of home, with vigorous freshness, red currant, Mandarin peel and gardenia on the nose, drink of compactness with shades of red fruit and citrus-floral appeal.



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
LA TORRE

Zone of Sant'Angelo in Colle, a Brunello from fermentation with indigenous yeasts and long aging between Slavonian oak and barrique. The aroma opens with hints of blueberry, officinal nuances of wild sage and black pepper in grains. Intense taste, with memories of small fruits and sweet spices.



93+

**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2020**  
MOCALI

Excellent vineyard work and fine cellar ideas for a characteristic and personality Brunello, aged between Slavonian oak and French oak. Tobacco and tonka beans on the nose, hints of black cherry and eucalyptus, the mouthfeel is salty, with spicy puffs and smoky notes.



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**Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Della Gherardesca**  
2020  
CANTINA DI MONTALCINO

One of the juiciest news of the ilcinese panorama, a house that does not need introduction that consolidates its presence in the world of wine with a brand label. Olfaction with black blueberry, puffs of laurel and liquorice powder, juicy sip, with officinal and spicy appeal.





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