



2010 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Bossona Riserva

James Suckling 92 pts

A rich and intense red with wonderful concentration, spice and new wood now, but will turn to a complete beauty with two or three years of bottle age. Full body. Give it few years.

Wine Advocate 89 pts

The Dei 2011 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva Bossona is a little overdone for my tastes, with very ripe fruit that is boosted by lots of oak. The wine's appearance is dark, rich and syrupy with evident concentration and extraction. The bouquet oozes forth with jammy black fruit aromas backed by sweet cinnamon, clove and Spanish cedar. The overall effect is heavy and bold.

Vinous 93+ pts – Antonio Galloni

The 2010 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva Bossona shows what Dei is capable of in a top vintage. Super ripe red cherries, plums, smoke, rose petals and spices form a super-appealing fabric of aromas and flavors. The style is bold and flamboyant, yet all the elements are in the right place. There is a lot to like here. The 2010 spent two years in Slovenian oak casks.

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2012 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva Bossona

Wine Advocate 90 pts

The 2012 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva Bossona shows some tertiary definition with dried fruit, prune, tar and smoke. In character, the wine is slightly brambly and wild. This is an elegantly streamlined and polished expression that offers lots of Sangiovese typicity. Wet earth and moist tobacco play an important role, aromatically speaking.

Vinous 92 pts – Antonio Galloni

The 2012 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Riserva Bossona is quite delicate in this vintage, certainly much more so than in some previous years. There is good depth to the bright red stone fruit and floral notes, with less overt oak influence than was once the norm. This is a decidedly lithe, feminine edition of the Bossona, as was as the last vintage made by Niccolò d'Aflitto.

Wine Spectator 94 pts – Bruce Sanderson

Plush, showing good underlying grip, this red plies the generous structure with black cherry, plum, licorice, wild herb and spice flavors. Balanced, with time to give, finishing long and evoking.

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2013 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano

James Suckling 91 pts

Fresh and lively with blueberry and citrus character. Medium body, fine tannins and a lively finish.

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2014 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano

Wine Advocate 90 pts

The 2014 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano is bright and tonic with a zesty fruit profile. This wine shows a higher degree of inner energy and freshness that must be due to the cooler conditions of the summer growing season. It offers good depth with dark fruit nuances of plum, prune and black currant. The wine's aromatic intensity makes a positive impact on the senses.

Vinous 88 pts – Antonio Galloni

The 2014 Vino Nobile di Montepulciano is a solid wine for the vintage. Black olive, cherry, tobacco and licorice add shades of nuance to this attractive, midweight Vino Nobile. It would be nice to see a little more depth and persistence, but then again, this is 2014, and only so much was possible.

2016 Rosso di Montepulciano

Vinous 90 pts – Antonio Galloni

Dei's 2016 Rosso di Montepulciano is a gorgeous entry-level wine with lovely bright red Sangiovese fruit, expressive aromatics and terrific overall balance. Drink it over the next few years.

2016 Bianco di Martiena

Vinous 89 pts – Antonio Galloni

The 2016 Bianco di Martiena is a gorgeous white from Dei. A blend of Malvasia, Grechetto and Trebbiano, the Martiena offers up an appealing mélange of orchard fruit, citrus and floral notes. Drink it over the next year or two.

NV Sancta Catharina

Wine Advocate 89 pts

I found no visible vintage on this bottle. The NV Sancta Catharina is a blend of Sangiovese with Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah and Petit Verdot. The wine is black and impenetrable in appearance. Smoke, tar, black licorice, cola and black fruit all rise heavily from the bouquet. There is very little primary fruit to behold. But the wine offers plenty of smoky darkness and richness instead.

2010 Sancta Catharina

Vinous 89 pts – Antonio Galloni

The 2010 Sancta Catharina, the blend of Sangiovese and Bordeaux grapes is good, but after tasting the estate's Vino Nobiles, I have to wonder what the rationale is for making a wine like this. Plums, cassis, graphite, lavender and grilled herbs linger on the bright, tense finish. Overall, the 2010 S. Catharina is a solid wine, but it can't match the estate's top Sangioveses.