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Bruce Sanderson's Recommended Wines From Tuscany

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TOP WINES

IOP WINES	SCORE	PRICE
MASSETO Toscana 2011 Opulent and expressive, opening with coffee and vanilla aromas that lead to sweet plum and black cherry flavors. Merlot.	97	\$625
QUERCIABELLA Toscana Palafreno 2010 Linear in profile, this rich red is focused on cherry, leather, menthol and mineral flavors with precision and intensity. Merlot.	97	\$189
ORNELLAIA Bolgheri Superiore 2011 A dark and inky red, yet elegant, featuring violet, black currant, ceda sandalwood and iron flavors. Cabernet Sauvignon blend.	96 r,	\$240
CASTELLO DI AMA Chianti Classico San Lorenzo Gran Selezione 2010 Combines power and elegance, with a racy feel, showing wild cherry strawberry, rose and leafy, woodsy flavors. Sangiovese blend.	95	\$52
BADIA A COLTIBUONOVin Santo del Chianti ClassicoOcchio di Pernice 2004A refined style, silky in texture and complex in flavor, with honey, caramel, fig paste, dried apricot, tobacco and clove notes.	95	\$70 375ml
CA' MARCANDA Bolgheri Camarcanda 2010 Powerful, showing cherry, blackberry, cedar and oak spice flavors, with mouthcoating tannins and a fresh aftertaste. Merlot blend.	95	\$170
FONTODI Colli della Toscana Centrale Flaccianello 2011 Violet, black currant, raspberry and spice flavors gain intensity as this vibrant red builds to a lengthy conclusion. Sangiovese.	95	\$120
LUCE DELLA VITE Toscana Luce 2011 Polished and complex, with ripe black cherry, plum, mint, vanilla, chocolate, leather and tobacco flavors. Merlot and Sangiovese.	95	\$105
TENUTA SAN GUIDO Bolgheri-Sassicaia Sassicaia 2011 Concentrated and intense, yet fresh and focused, with ripe black cherry and blackberry flavors. Cabernet Sauvignon blend.	95	\$235
VITANZA Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2007 This shows lovely purity to its cherry and strawberry flavors, with floral, tobacco and spice notes. A delicate style.	95	\$90
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CASTELLO DI VOLPAIA Chianti Classico Riserva 2010 This enticing red offers floral, strawberry, raspberry and mineral flavors. Elegant and harmonious, with no shortage of structure.	93	\$29
TOMMASI Sangiovese-Cabernet Sauvignon Toscana Poggio al Tufo Rompicollo 2011 Rich and supple, with a whiff of blackberry, bacon and ink followed by dark berry, black pepper and spice notes.	92	\$18
AVIGNONESI Vino Nobile di Montepulciano 2011 An opulent style, this features black cherry, plum, earth and spice flavors. Full and complex, with fine balance.	91	\$29
CASANOVA DELLA SPINETTA Toscana Il Nero di Casanova 2009 Muscular without being dense, this offers beefy tannins that shore up the cherry, licorice and tobacco flavors. Sangiovese.	91	\$25
NOZZOLE Chianti Classico Riserva 2011 Round and supple, with cherry and strawberry flavors accented by licorice, tar and spice notes. Harmonious and fresh.	91	\$25

TOP VALUES (continued)

WINE	SCORE	PRIC
ANTINORI Toscana Villa Antinori Red 2011 Fleshy and balanced, with black currant and blackberry notes accented by cedar, tobacco and spice. Offers intensity and length.	90	\$2
BADIA A COLTIBUONO Chianti Classico 2011 A pretty red, boasting flavors of flowers, strawberry, raspberry and rhubarb. Accents of tobacco and mineral add depth.	90	\$2
BOCELLI Sangiovese Toscana 2012 Eucalyptus, sage, tar, cherry and leather flavors are saturated, put in relief by the vibrant structure. Balanced and long.	90	\$19
DEI Rosso di Montepulciano 2012 Full of cherry, raspberry and earth flavors, this round red borders on peppery, with a firm structure and a lingering finish.	90	\$2
IL MOLINO DI GRACE Chianti Classico 2011 Offers black cherry and plum flavors, with a layer of tannins that leaves a firm impression. Fruity and balanced overall.	90	\$2
IL POGGIONE Rosso di Montalcino 2012 Cherry, floral, tobacco and spice flavors impart harmony and grace, with lively acidity and refined tannins framing the flavors.	90	\$2
VECCHIA CANTINA DI MONTEPULCIANO Vino Nobile di Montepulciano Incanto 2010 Rich and rangy, this black cherry-, plum-, tar- and spice-infused red is backed by a base of beefy tannins. Balanced overall.	90	\$1 !
CASTELLO DI GABBIANO Toscana Solatio 2012 Meaty, offering plum, black cherry and spice flavors, with a hint of black pepper. Balanced, with a tangy finish. Syrah blend.	89	\$1
ROCCA DELLE MACIE Sangiovese-Syrah Toscana Sasyr 2012 Candied cherry, boysenberry and violet flavors vie for attention, offsel by stiff tannins. Comes together with some air.		\$1
CASTELLO BANFI Chianti Classico 2011 Aeration reveals cherry, plum, tea and tobacco flavors. Starts out rich, turning leaner and tighter on the finish.	88	\$1
CAPEZZANA Barco Reale di Carmignano Conte Contini Bonacossi 2012 A solid graphite aroma gives way to cherry, tobacco and spice flavors in this elegant red. Sangiovese and Cabernet Sauvignon.	88	\$1
MARCHESI DE' FRESCOBALDI Toscana Rèmole 2011 Cherry character is married to moderately firm tannins in this elegant red, which is fresh. Sangiovese and Cabernet Sauvignon.	88	\$1
BIBI GRAETZ Toscana Casamatta Red NV A fruity style, offering bright cherry, tobacco and black pepper flavors backed by moderate grip. Sangiovese.	88	\$1
RENZO MASI Chianti Riserva 2010 Rich and dense, showing black cherry, plum, tar and tobacco flavors. The tannins are stiff, with a firm grip on the finish.	88	\$1
CASTELLO DI MONSANTO Chianti Monrosso 2012 Round, offering cherry, strawberry and earth flavors, backed by moderate tannins. Fresh and easygoing.	88	\$1
MORMORAIA Vernaccia di San Gimignano 2013 A rich, almost viscous style, offering peach, grapefruit and almond flavors. Persistent and lively.	88	\$1