



Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso

Country: Italy Region: Verona
Type: Red Varietal: Blend - Corvina Veronese, Rondinella, Molinara
Format: 12 x 750ml

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Specialty	Open	SO	MBLL

TASTING NOTES

Colour: Intense ruby red.

Aroma: Rich spicy black pepper nose with a hint of raisins.

Taste: Full body, very intense, spicy, sweet cherry flavours. Well balanced and full of flavours.

Food: White and red meat, fresh and aged cheeses.

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

2021 ~ 92 Points. "A delicious Ripasso that demonstrates less is more when it comes to the use of Amarone pomace and its dried-fruit influence on the style. Tightly wound, detailed and nobly bitter, this mid-weighted and exceptionally savory expression challenges those clumsy examples that resemble ersatz Amarone. Alpine hints, bitter red cherries, licorice root and oranges. Dusty oak tannins compress the seams nicely. Fresh, lithe and ready for the sophisticated table. Textbook. Drink or hold." - Neal Goodwin MW - James Suckling, Apr/2024

2020 ~ 93 Points. "The 2020 Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso opens with a rich blend of autumnal spices and dried black cherries, complemented by a dusting of cocoa. This smooths over the palate with glycerol textures and ultra-ripe wild berry fruits, contrasted by a core of zesty acidity. It tapers off with tremendous length and potency, leaving a staining of primary concentration and a coating of sweet tannins that frame the experience well, without slowing its momentum—a testament to the importance of the Ripasso category." - Antonio Galloni's Vinous, Dec/2023

2020 ~ 92 Points. "Licorice root, clove, terracotta, sage, mint and pithy maraschino cherry, with a curb of herbal tannins bracing the long, warming finish. Impressive expansion and length to this highly regional, full-weighted expression. Very good Ripasso. Drink or hold." - James Suckling, Apr/2023

2020 ~ 90 Points. "A bright, medium-bodied red, with floral and spice notes accenting macerated cherry and strawberry fruit flavors. Well-meshed, with light, taut tannins and accents of red licorice, smoke and dried herbs lingering on the finish. Corvina, Rondinella and Corvinone. Drink now through 2027. 50,000 cases made, 3,000 cases imported." - Wine Spectator, Feb/2024

2020 ~ 90 Points. "This comes across as a fresher, juicier style of Ripasso. 12-13 days on Amarone skins has added weight and richness to the blend of corvina (70%), rondinella (25%), and corvinone (5%), with an impressively suave, silky palate. There's not a lot of dried fruit character, and arguably this wine is all the better as a result. You can expect ripe red cherry lifted by violets and sweet spices, with a real sense of Valpolicella. Sometimes Ripasso is trying to be something it's not, and that's certainly not the case here." - Geoffrey Moss MW - Gismondi on Wine, Feb/2025

2020 ~ Rating: B+ "Ripasso is like a bottled version of a hand-knit wool sweater. It's chunky and warming, yet suave and elegant at the same time. Ripasso, or "re-pass," is a winemaking style in which leftover grape pomace from Amarone pressings get added during the wine's second fermentation. The process adds richness, aromas, and complexity. For a fun (and comforting) example check out Tommasi's Ripasso. Made from the traditional Valpolicella grapes Corvina, Rondinella, and Corvinone, this gutsy red brings all the feels — from aromas of ripe dark fruit, prune, and tobacco to a smooth and comforting structure, before a surprisingly fresh finish." - The Province, Nov/2024

2019 ~ 93 Points. "Notes of ripe berries, walnuts, light spices, dried orange rind and dark chocolate. Medium-bodied with firm tannins and lively, crunchy fruit character. Ripe and concentrated, yet clean and fresh at the same time. Lingering finish. Drink or hold." - James Suckling, Aug/2022

2019 ~ 93 Points. "Dried fig and black cherry aromas are the core of this classic wine from the Veneto. Aromas of clove, cinnamon and chocolate support the fruity aromas. The frame of the palate is sturdy with fine tannins and moderate acidity while flavors of dried flowers, herbs and cherries integrate perfectly." - Wine Enthusiast, Mar/2023

OTHER INFO

"Ripasso" is the unique result of refermenting Valpolicella Classico Superiore on the warm dried grape skins from which Tommasi Amarone has been pressed. This process imparts the richness of character and personality of a great wine to an already superior wine.



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