



Thinking big

Highly acclaimed wines, once considered the sole territory of small artisan estates, are emerging from large firms – be they family-owned, corporate entities or even giant co-operatives. Tom Hyland highlights the most exciting offerings, across different wine styles

A dozen of the best from the major players



Cavit, Altemasi, Riserva Graal, Trentodoc, Trentino 2006 91/100
 £31 D Byrne & Co, Biakney Dell
 Rich, with very good acidity and a mineral-driven palate, this is a

typical, well-structured Trento sparkler. **Drink** 2016-2019 **Alcohol** 12.5%

Tenuta Il Bosco, Crusasé Oltrenero, Oltrepò Pavese, Lombardy NV 90 £24.90 Zonin UK

This delicious sparkling rosé is elegant, with round acidity, and will work with many different dishes. **Drink** 2016-2018 **Alc** 12%



Cantina Tollo, C'Incanta, Trebbiano d'Abruzzo 2011 94
 £19.99 Eurowines
 Sumptuous white wine, with orange zest and pastry cream aromas on the nose, plus a great texture on the palate. This can easily age for a decade. **Drink** 2016-2026 **Alc** 13%



Umani Ronchi, Pleno, Castelli di Jesi Verdicchio Riserva, Marche 2010 92
 £16.95 Czerwiks, Exel, Great Western Wine, Maison du Vin
 Beautifully textured white, with mineral notes

on the finish. From the great 2010 vintage, this wine has a good tradition of lengthy, ageing potential. **Drink** 2016-2024 **Alc** 14%

Fontana Candida, Luna Mater, Frascati Superiore Riserva, Lazio 2014 91 N/A UK

www.fontanacandida.com
 Floral, tropical fruit aromas, this is richly textured, with delicate white spice. Very dry, this ages well. **Drink** 2016-2022 **Alc** 14.5%

Cantina Valpolicella Negrar, Domini Veneti, San Rocco, Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Veneto 2008 95
 £32 (2012) Allvini
 Outstanding Amarone, with a seamless mesh of ripe fruit, red spice, ideal acidity and structure, this is powerful and terroir-driven with a traditional footprint. **Drink** 2020-2035 **Alc** 16.5%

Rocca della Macle, Riserva di Fizzano, Chianti Classico, Tuscany 2010 94 N/A UK

www.roccadellemacle.com
 Morello cherry flavours with subtle wood notes, this has silky tannins, excellent complexity – a textbook, graceful Chianti Classico Riserva of great breeding. **Drink** 2016-2023 **Alc** 13.5%



Pasqua, Famiglia Pasqua, Amarone Riserva, Veneto 2003 93
 £59 AC Gallie, Love Wine, The Society of Vintners
 Zingy cherry, tomato and chocolate flavours, ripe and gutsy, with ample black spice notes. Powerful but balanced. **Drink** 2018-2028 **Alc** 15%



Lamole di Lamole, Vigneto di Campolungo, Chianti Classico, Gran Selezione, Tuscany 2010 92
 £18.99 Allvini
 Pure Sangiovese aromas with subtle tobacco notes. Elegant

with very good acidity and typicity – very appealing. **Drink** 2016-2022 **Alc** 14%



Rocca di Montemassi, Maremma, Tuscany 2013 91
 £32.80 Zonin UK
 Modern Tuscan blend, primarily of Petit Verdot, this has ripe black fruits and polished tannins.

Approachable now, but better in a few years. **Drink** 2016-2022 **Alc** 14%

Cembra, Vigna di Saosent, Pinot Nero, Trentino 2013 90 N/A UK www.cembracantinadimontagna.it

Lovely Pinot, with cherry, strawberry and red spice notes; good acidity; tasty. **Drink** 2016-2020 **Alc** 13%

Enrico Serafino, Cantina Maestra, Roero Paslunà, Piedmont 2011 90 N/A UK www.enricoserafino.it

Rich, ripe Nebbiolo with moderate tannins, light tobacco notes and an elegant finish. Best in a few years. **Drink** 2016-2020 **Alc** 14%

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