



**PININO**  
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### 2018


- ◆ James Suckling 93 points  
Cocoa powder, orange zest, balsamic, dried roses and red cherries on the nose. Expressive and delicious, with a medium to full body and swathes of succulent sweet berry fruit and chocolate, accompanied by well-integrated tannins. Rich yet fresh. Drink from 2023.
  
- ◆ Intravino – Andrea Gori 91 points  
Chiaro e netto, salino e aromatico, spezia e visciole sorso di precisione e carnosità discreta, presenza tannica discreta e lunga.
  
- ◆ Luca Gardini – Gardini Notes 90 points
  
- ◆ Jancis Robinson 16 points  
Lustrous mid ruby. Brooding but closed on the nose. Juicy cherry fruit and firm, but polished, tannins and hints of laurel building a unity on the finish. Drink 2023 - 2028.



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## 2017

- ◆ James Suckling 91 points  
A firm and solid 2017 with walnut, berry and cedar aromas and flavors. Full-bodied with chewy texture and a medium finish. Give it a little time to open. Try after 2022.
- ◆ Falstaff 91 points  
Bright ruby-red. Fragrant nose, scented with ripe wild strawberries and luscious raspberries, soft hints of vanilla sugar, and hardwood. Distinct fruit and firm tannins on the palate, delicate juiciness, tailing off with tension on the finish.
- ◆ Vini Buoni D'Italia (Guida Touring) \*\*\* (Three stars)
- ◆ Merum 
- ◆ Gambero Rosso 2023 1 bicchiere nero (One black glass)
- ◆ Jancis Robinson 16 points





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Just mid ruby that is already looking a little developed. Brooding concentration on the nose with hints of iron and tobacco leaf and what looks like a tiny bit of new oak. Perfumed marasca-cherry palate of considerable length but with quite demanding tannins, which hopefully will soften with time.

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## 2016

◆ Vinous 93 points

There a minty freshness to the 2016 Brunello di Montalcino That holds your attention firm, as a spicy mix of tart woodland berries, notes of sage and cedar evolve in the glass. It's silky and pliant upon entry, with penetrating dark red fruits and minerals which saturate, creating a tactile grip toward the close. Zesty acids make the mouth water, even as fine tannins create a youthfully structures feel. This is nicely done, as the 2016 combines the radiance of the vintage with primary power and intensity.

◆ James Suckling 94 points





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Complex aromas of sweet berry, bark, cedar and dried flowers follow through to a full body with firm, silky tannins that are polished and very, very pretty. Tight and closed at the finish. Reserved and structured. Need four or five years to open. Try after 2024.

- ◆ **Intravino – (Andrea Gori) 94 points**  
China e cola, lavanda e amarene, talco. Bocca di energia, succo di frutto denso e finale balsamico a raffrescare bene. “Un bel vino piccolo”
  
- ◆ **Falstaff 92 points**  
Noble shining ruby red. Ripe Amarena cherries on the nose, rich raspberries, a breath of cranberries, at the end red apple and roasted almonds. On the palate equipped with a beautiful tension arch, spreads finely and with finely-meshed tannin over the tongue, juicy, with a compact finish.
  
- ◆ **Winemag.it 91 points**
  
- ◆ **Wine Enthusiast 90 points**  
Blue-flower, leather and tilled earth aromas shape the nose. The medium-bodied if rather straightforward palate doles out ripe morello cherry, ground clove and a hint of star anise alongside solid tannins. Drink 2022-2027.
  
- ◆ **Weinwisser 17.5+/20 points - excellent**





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- ◆ Merum ♥♥
- ◆ Sakura Wine Awards Double Gold Award
- ◆ Sakura Wine Awards Diamond Trophy Award
- ◆ Sakura Wine Awards Special Award "Woman Winemaker of the year"

## 2015

- ◆ Wine Advocate - Robert Parker **92 points**  
Packaged in its trademark silver label, the Pinino Brunello di Montalcino is an ample release of 19700 bottles (*no. corrected from original statement by PININO*). It is a full-bodied Brunello with some of the natural restraint and much of the linear elegance you should expect of Sangiovese. The bouquet opens to wild berry and crushed rose, with spice, medicinal herb and toasted almond at the back. Earthy sensations with cured leather appear in supporting roles. Sample with a platter of pecorino and mld charcuterie.
  
- ◆ Wine Enthusiast **90 points**  
Violet, red-berry and new leather aromas shape the nose. It's bright and juicy, offering flavors of red cherry, raspberry jam and white pepper alongside fresh acidity and polished tannins.



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- ◆ James Suckling 94 points  
Fresh and vivid with floral, cherry, and berry character. Some cedar and almond undertones, too. It's full-bodied, yet so tight and refined with a deep center palate of fruit that stays focused throughout the long finish. A beautiful, solid red.
- ◆ Vinous 91 points
- ◆ Jancis Robinson 16 points  
Mid ruby with orange tinges. A striking, perfumed cherry and raspberry nose. Concentrated, ripe palate verging on very ripe, but it works. Tangy acidity and perfumed fruit finish with gripping but not dominant tannins.

## 2013

- ◆ James Suckling 93 points  
There's clarity and beauty to this young Brunello with bright-cherry and crushed-stone character on the nose. Full body, firm and silky tannins and a beautiful finish. Tight and focused. Drink or hold.
- ◆ Vinous – Antonio Galloni 91 points  
Bright red. Perfumed red berry, strawberry, violet and cinnamon on the enticing nose. Enters Juicy and perfumed, then tight and increasingly austere as the high acidity and noteworthy tannic bite keep the fresh red fruit flavors under wraps.





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Finishes long and clean. This will undoubtedly improve with a little bottle age and will show best with food. It's a lovely, perfumed Brunello, but I would have liked a touch more ripe fruit; still, this steely wine is very much in the style of the year. (Ian D'Agata)

- ◆ Gambero Rosso 2019                      2 bicchieri rossi (two red glasses)
- ◆ Vini Buoni D'Italia (Guida Touring)        \*\*\*\* (Four stars)
- ◆ Wine Advocate - Robert Parker 91 points  
Pinino's 2013 Brunello di Montalcino shows savoury characteristics with a dark and meaty quality of primary fruit. You get pressed cherries and prune. You also get exotic spice, toasted espresso bean and grilled herb. There is a moment of bitter astringency on the close that may need a few more years of bottle aging before it irons itself out.
- ◆ Merum    ♥
- ◆ Jancis Robinson                                15,5 points
- ◆ Wine Enthusiast                                89 points

