

Palladino Ornato Barolo 2017

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Part of Barolo in depth: Serralunga plus 10 wines worth seeking out

Drinking Window: 2022 – 2032

Scents of rose amplify slowly but there are also darker lashings of tar and freshly turned soil. Herbal tea, iron and chocolate orange nuance the palate. Juicy acidity counters dry, granular tannins. A linear and elegant Barolo but with flesh on its bones. Ageing is entirely in 28-hectolitre French oak casks. Palladino's Ornato plots are fully south facing but well-ventilated which helped mitigate the heat in 2017. Limestone-rich clay is very compact with just a small percentage of sand