

LE RIPI Amore e Magia

Brunello di Montalcino 2017

The bouquet on the 2017 Brunello di Montalcino

Amore e Magia is seriously impressive. A beguiling mix of dusty violets, exotic spices, cedar, clove, and black cherries wafts up and holds my attention firm. The textures are soothingly plush yet lifted, featuring a sweet and sour display of tart wild berries contrasted by minerals, minty herbs and hints of candied citrus. The tannins arrive late, as this finishes structured and classically dry with nuances of blood orange and wild strawberries. The 2017 Amore e Magia has taken the warmth of the vintage in stride to deliver a Brunello packed full of balanced pleasures. That said, production was down by 50%.