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2010 Cerbaiona Brunello di Montalcino Feb 2015

The 2010 Brunello di Montalcino is every bit as thrilling as it was on the many occasions I tasted it from barrel. Black cherry, hard candy, plum, rose petal, menthol and lavender saturate the palate in a sumptuous, racy Brunello endowed with magnificent depth and pedigree. An utterly stunning, sensual wine, the 2010 constantly changes in the glass as it conquers all the senses with an exotic kaleidoscope of aromas, flavors and textures. I remember tasting the 2010 from cask a few years ago when Diego Molinari was too unwell to go down to the cellar. Nora Molinari tasked me with essentially serving myself as we went from vintage to vintage and cask to cask. For days after, I was mortified that I might not have closed some of the spigots tightly enough. Fortunately, that was not the case. **In all of my years tasting the wines of Montalcino, I have only come across two wines with this level of textural unctuousity and sweetness**; Gianfranco Soldera's 1983 Brunello and 1990 Riserva. Cerbaiona's 2010 Brunello di Montalcino will leave readers weak at the knees. It is every bit that profound.

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Lincoln Ristorante

Are the 2010 Brunellos really all they are cracked up to be? After months of seeing and hearing all the hype Vinous readers wanted to see (and taste) for themselves. This recent dinner at Lincoln Ristorante gave attendees an early look at a dozen of the vintage's best known and most highly regarded wines.



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2010 Il Marroneto Brunello di Montalcino Madonna delle Grazie

2010 Salvioni Brunello di Montalcino

2010 Cerbaiona Brunello di Montalcino

The tension in the room is palpable as the last flight is poured. There are only a handful of wines that can create this almost rabid level of anticipation. Top-Flight

Brunello is one of them.



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Cerbaiona 

A Sangiovese Dry Red Table wine from
Italy, Brunello di Montalcino, Tuscany, Italy

Source

Reviewer

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(Release)
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[eRobertParker.com](https://www.robertparker.com) #223
Mar 2016

Monica Larner

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Drink: 2017 -
2028

Cerbaiona's 2011 Brunello di Montalcino is one of the protagonists of the vintage. There is no denying the sheer beauty and focus of this wine. It makes a fabulous first impact with super sharp tones of wild berry, cola, balsam herb, flint and crushed oyster shell. Those drying mineral notes leave a lasting impression. In the mouth, this wine is super elegant, tight and delicately nuanced. Unfortunately, I have not had the best track record with aged Brunello from Cerbaiona (ten years or more) personally, but I am hopeful that a wine of this caliber and depth will restore my faith. No matter what the aging trajectory ultimately demonstrates,



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Cerbaiona 2011 Brunello di Montalcino

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This delicious Brunello opens with classic Sangiovese aromas of dark-skinned berry, new leather, crushed herb and baking spice. Showing impressive freshness and elegance for what was a scorching vintage, the balanced palate delivers layers of juicy morello cherry, licorice and cinnamon while refined tannins provide polished support. Drink through 2026.

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APPELLATION [Brunello di Montalcino, Tuscany, Italy](#)

WINERY [Cerbaiona](#)

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ALCOHOL 14%
BOTTLE SIZE 750 ml



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