



Bolgheri and Chianti Classico: Goodbye Super Tuscan, Hello Super Territorio



2010 Tolaini Chianti Classico Riserva

A Sangiovese Dry Red Table wine from Castelnuovo Berardenga, Classico, Chianti, Tuscany, Italy

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate #208 Aug 2013	Monica Lerner	92	Drink: 2013 - 2020	
<p>From the Castelnuovo Berardenga area of Chianti Classico where temperatures are always two or three degrees higher on average, the 2010 Chianti Classico Riserva sees fruit sourced from the estate's Montebello vineyard n.7, one of the estate's prized parcels. This vineyard-designate, 100% Sangiovese shows delicate layers of red berry, dried raspberry and soft layers of moist earth and tobacco. The elegance and finesse is stunning, as there's nothing heavy or out of place with this wine. Neither is this a light or mild wine. It delivers plenty of power and personality both in terms of the quality of the fruit and the long freshness it leaves in the mouth. Anticipated maturity: 2013-2020.</p> <p>Importer: Banville & Jones Wine Co.; www.banvilleandjones.com</p>				

2009 Tolaini IGT Al Passo

A Proprietary Blend Dry Red Table wine from Tuscany, Italy

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate #208 Aug 2013	Monica Lerner	93+	Drink: 2013 - 2024	
<p>PierLuigi Tolaini and his team blend Sangiovese and Merlot to make the 2009 Al Passo. This is a ripe and delicate red that very successfully strives for that difficult equilibrium between power and elegance. Small berry fruit, moist earth and dried violets open the bouquet. The wine is defined by structure with a beautifully feminine and ethereal quality at the back. The two varieties compliment each other beautiful: The 85% Sangiovese gives the wine finesse and the 15% Merlot adds color and a touch of pulpy cherry. Anticipated maturity: 2013-2024.</p> <p>Importer: Banville & Jones Wine Co.; www.banvilleandjones.com</p>				



2009 Tolaini IGT Picconero

A Proprietary Blend Dry Red Table wine from Tuscany, Italy

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate #208 Aug 2013	Monica Lamer	93	Drink: 2014 - 2025	
<p>Styled after the great wines of Bordeaux, the 2009 Picconero represents a blend of Merlot (65%), Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot from the estate's Tenuta Montebello. The wine opens with an inky dark appearance and follows to the nose with dark fruit, blackberry preserves, prune, tobacco and leather. Again, like the other wines of this estate, what really stands out is how elegantly these wines perform in the mouth. Picconero is tight and structured, but never heavy or sticky. Lingering tones of cigar box and Indian spice add complexity to the finish. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2025.</p> <p>Importer: Banville & Jones Wine Co.; www.banvilleandjones.com</p>				

2009 Tolaini IGT Valdisanti

A Proprietary Blend Dry Red Table wine from Tuscany, Italy

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate #208 Aug 2013	Monica Lamer	94	Drink: 2014 - 2022	
<p>Another Bordeaux-inspired wine, the 2009 Valdisanti represents a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese and Cabernet Franc (in that order of importance). Fruit is sourced from the Tenuta S. Giovanni. On the nose, it shows delicate embroidery of spice, dark fruit and smoked cedar. There's a dusty mineral dryness to the finish backed by lush layers of red berry fruit and dark chewing tobacco. The mouthfeel is polished and tight, with beautifully integrated tannins. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2022.</p> <p>Importer: Banville & Jones Wine Co.; www.banvilleandjones.com</p>				

