



ARGIANO
CANTINA DAL 1580

BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO DOCG 2016

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A very polished red with clover and caramel, on top of black cherries, mushrooms and forest floor. Black olives, too. It's full-bodied with polished tannins and lovely depth all the way through. Lightly chewy. Juicy black-cherries and savory black-olive character. Complex. Drink after 2025.



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Platinum Medal

Exuberant nose showing aromas of strawberry, black cherry, hazelnut and notes of orange peel and tobacco. Perfect ripeness on the palate with fine grained tannins and a long lasting finish.

WINE ENTHUSIAST

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Editor's Choices



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The Argiano 2016 Brunello di Montalcino shows a lovely transparency to its appearance and follows with lifted red fruit aromas, cassis, wild cherry and blue flower. It is made with a simple approach, fermented in cement tank and aged slowly in oak, and the fruit comes from a 22-hectare site with limestone marl soils. It delivers a lightness and a weightlessness that is not often ascribed to this vintage. No worries, the power of 2016 comes through at the very end in terms of tannins and structure. This ample release of 115,000 bottles will be ready to drink after 2023 when the wine has had time to open and flesh out.

Drink date: 2023 – 2040



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The 2016 Argiano Brunello di Montalcino shows sweet herbs and tobacco with hints of mocha and cedar spice box. It's silky in texture, coasting across a medium-bodied frame while giving way to tart red berries, with grippy tannins mounting toward the close. A cooling wave of minty herbs and licorice adds much needed freshness, bringing the 2016 into balance throughout the youthfully structured finale. While this was hard to read and quite backward upon opening, it blossomed beautifully in the glass over time. 2024 – 2034

Decanter
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Under new ownership since 2013, the historic Argiano estate has made a number of positive changes, which include increasing biodiversity, converting to organic viticulture and moving away from small barrels to ageing in larger casks. The vivacious and pure 2016 Brunello is a testament to all of the recent investments. Scented licorice and tobacco waft temptingly from the glass. Layered and chewy, the palate has a balsamic edge playing off fleshy cherry and plum. Tangy acidity lifts this mouth-filling beauty.

INTRA VINO
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Saporito e croccante, leggero, delicato, bocca elegante e netta, lunghezza e dolcezza intrecciate in maniera precisa. Andrea Gori (Emanuele Giannone 90)

Wine Spectator
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The supple texture and medium-body easily support the ripe cherry, raspberry, and plum fruit, while earth, leather, and tobacco add grace notes. Very harmonious, even at this stage, this red is bright and long, with a fruity, and savory after-taste. Best from 2023 through 2042.



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Just mid ruby. Cool, perfumed, concentrated cherry nose with just a hint of fruit cake in the background. Pure, tangy and strikingly perfumed sweet cherry and cranberry fruit palate with finely grained tannins. Can be approached now.

(WS) 14%

Drink 2021 – 2028