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BAROLO D.O.C.G. DEL COMUNE DI SERRALUNGA D'ALBA

Wine Enthusiast

94/100

Sweet dark cherries and fresh garden mint intertwine with cinnamon sticks and star anise, while threads of tar and earth provide the deep bass notes that make Serralunga famous. The palate reveals why this village earned its powerhouse reputation: waves of pure fruit roll across crushed chalk minerality, building to a finale of spent tea leaves and bitter chocolate. A wine that flexes its muscles while wearing its finest silk suit, showing why Serralunga remains Barolo's center of gravitational force. Jeff Porter

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FORBES MAGAZINE

91/100

Beautiful young pale garnet; aromas of morel cherry, orange peel, persimmon and subtle hints of tobacco and thyme. Medium-full, with very good concentration; the wood notes are subdued, there is good acidity, fine structure and medium-weight tannins. Nicely styled, this offers classic Barolo character and is approachable tonight, although it will improve for 6-10 years. Tom Hyland

Kerin O'Keefe

96/100

The 2020 Giovanni Rosso Barolo del Comune di Serralunga is another stellar wine from this great producer. It's intensely fragrant, with heady aromas of ripe woodland berry, baking spice, pine forest, camphor and wild rose. Elegant and focused, the delicious palate has great precision and balance, featuring succulent

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red cherry, star anise, ground clove and white pepper set against taut, refined tannins. A great showing and all about precision and restrained elegance.

James Suckling

94/100

Very classic bright garnet color. Aromas of potpourri, dried cherries and licorice, then firm, ripe, velvety tannins, red fruit character and elegant acidity. It displays a medium body with good concentration for aging a couple of decades.

Drinkable now, but best from 2025.

Falstaff Magazine

94/100

Brilliant ruby red with a slightly lightening, orange-tinted rim. Initially restrained on the nose, it opens up to reveal aromas of wild berries and raspberries, with a subtle smoky note in the background and hints of underbrush. On the palate, it offers a lovely fruit entry, fine creaminess, and excellent balance, with tightly woven and well-integrated tannins. The long finish ends on notes of raspberries. Otmar Kier, Simon Staffler.

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Wine Spectator

95/100

Macerated cherry, raspberry, rose, anise, menthol and iron flavors are the hallmarks of this expressive red. Lively and multifaceted, with a long aftertaste echoing the fruit, savory and mineral elements. Approachable now with decanting but better in two to three years. Bruce Sanderson

Kerin O'Keefe

96/100

The Giovanni Rosso 2019 Barolo del Comune di Serralunga d'Alba has an enticing nose offering crushed raspberry, camphor and blue flower punctuated by whiffs of spice. It's radiant, racy, elegantly structured and just loaded with youthful tension and energy, all tempered by great finesse.

Gardini Notes

96/100

From various plots within the Serralunga area, vines less than 40 years old, a great classic of Giovanni Rosso winery. Nose with touches of black raspberry, peppercorns and juniper. Juicy palate, with savory tannins, finish with officinal and fruity return, enhanced by excellent persistence.

Wine Spectator

93/100

Daily Pick

Exudes inviting aromas of berry fruit, floral and soy that segue to cherry, plum, earth and spice flavors allied to a sumptuous texture. This has a matrix of tannins for support and expands on the complex finish. Best from 2025 through 2042. Bruce Sanderson

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VINTAGE 2018

VINTAGE 2017

90/100

Profumo floreale un po' secco e accennato vegetale di bacche rosse in prevalenza, con note erbacee e sentori di nocciola. Frutto maturo e abbastanza succoso con note leggermente nocciolate, accennate al fumo e al cacao, tannino fine e sabbioso, relativamente friabile, persistente al palato, un po' di spezie eteree, note erbacee e pepate, mineralità salata in sottofondo, un accenno di olive, molto buono, finale succoso e speziato con un accenno di caffè e marzapane.

Wine Enthusiast

94/100

Aromas of red berry, camphor and wet stone form the nose. Savory and vaunting an understated elegance, the luminous, focused palate offers strawberry compote, juicy red cherry, baking spice and crushed mint framed in fine-grained tannins. Vibrant acidity keeps it energized and balanced. Drink 2026–2033.

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I Vini di Veronelli

92/100

Decanter

94/100

A blend of grapes from Costabella, Cerretta, Damiano and Brolio, red berries and liquorice root are followed by orange peel and rhubarb, with a minty, milky sweetness. Not quite full bodied, the palate is velvety and youthful, with grainy yet ripe tannins, firm acidity and good concentration of very resplendent red fruit. Freshness, balance and refinement will keep this for the long haul, even if it's not particularly concentrated. Drinking Window 2021 – 2040. Aldo Fiordelli

Wine Enthusiast

92/100

Aromas of violet, iris, camphor and woodland berries emerge from the glass. On the linear, structured palate, tightly wound, fine-grained tannins support wild strawberry, blood orange and star anise before an almost salty mineral finish. Fresh acidity keeps it well-balanced. Drink 2025–2037. Kerin O'Keefe

Wine Spectator

93/100

A rich version, whose fleshy texture envelops cherry, plum, licorice, earth and mint flavors. Balanced, with civilized tannins and a lingering finish that echoes the plum and spice flavors, adding a mineral element. Best from 2025 through 2045. Bruce Sanders.

Weinkultur Ernst

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VINTAGE 2016

In der Nase leicht rauchig mit schöner Frucht und Noten von reifen Kirschen, Zwetschken, Schokolade, Gewürzen und Nuancen von Kokos. Am Gaumen elegant mit klarer und süßer Frucht und Anklängen von Blutorange.

Wine Advocate

92/100

The Giovanni Rosso 2017 Barolo del Comune di Serralunga d'Alba shows the true grit and balanced power of this celebrated village. The wine sits pretty in the glass with a dark garnet hue and faint touches of red brick. Dried blackberry and cassis segue to earthy tones, rusty metal, tea leaf and dried orange peel. Those reddish mineral tones follow until the end, giving more structure and power to this hot-vintage Barolo. Monica Larner

Wine Enthusiast

96/100

Iris, woodland-berry and pine-forest aromas shape the nose. On the focused, vibrant palate, mint and star anise notes accent a core juicy Marasca cherry. Taut polished tannins and bright acidity provide balance and a firm lithe structure. Kerin O'Keefe

James Suckling

94/100

Deep, rose-petal notes with licorice, red cherries, kirsch and plenty of spice, as well as a savory edge with cedar and new leather. The palate carries very concentrated red cherries and spiced blueberries with driving acidity drawing ripe, smooth tannins very deep. Impressive power and poise." James Suckling

Falstaff Magazine

91/100

Luminous ruby red with a gently lightening edge. Light leather scent on the nose, then ripe raspberries, some cranberries in the aftertaste, medium expression. On the palate with dark fruit and spicy undertones, compact and with juicy tannins, spans a fine arc, light salt. Othmar Kiem, Simon Staffler

Tom Cannavan's Wine Pages

93/100

Well, this is just delicious and already drinking well, though undoubtedly with many years ahead of it. Quite pale and touched by amber on the rim, there's great fragrance here, old roses and tar, classic Barolo, plenty of fruit, pencil-shaving and spices too in a complex but alluring picture. In the mouth so soft already, the initial impression at least with that supple, fleshy fruit, but the firmness of the structure here begins to impact, telling you there's a serious side to this, lovely cherry acidity and bit of sinew to the tannins, finishing on fruit spice and structural grip." Tom Cannavan

VINOUS Antonio Galloni

91/100

The 2016 Barolo del Comune di Serralunga d'Alba shows the added weight and tannic heft of Serralunga (vis-à-vis the straight Barolo), but it too is done in a mid-weight style that requires minimal cellaring. Iron, smoke, sage, mint and a host of feral nuances are laced into a core of dark fruit. There is plenty of

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character here, that much is evident. The Comune is a blend of six parcels in town. Antonio Galloni

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VINTAGE 2015

Wine Enthusiast
92/100

Enticing aromas of pressed rose, cake spice, raspberry compote and a whiff of camphor waft out of the glass on this fragrant, elegant red. The smooth, taut palate is loaded with finesse and tension, delivering juicy black cherry, cinnamon, mocha and a hint of sweet tobacco set against well-knit, polished tannins” Kerin O’Keefe

VINTAGE 2014

Wine Advocate
91/100

Starting with a slightly heavier footprint, the 2014 Barolo del Comune di Serralunga d’Alba is a tightly knit wine that is packed carefully with wild berry, cassis and dried cranberry aromas. The fiber of the wine is slightly more robust compared to the annata 2014 Barolo that I tasted in this same flight. These wines by Giovanni Rosso are distinguished by the smooth consistency of their tannins. Monica Lerner

VINTAGE 2013

Wine Spectator
93/100

Packed with sweet strawberry and cherry flavors, this red also deals leather, tobacco and tar notes from a well-structured deck. Tightens up considerably on the finish, a good sign for future development. Best from 2020 through 2038. Bruce Sanderson

VINTAGE 2012

Wine Spectator
93/100

An enticing mix of white pepper, strawberry, raspberry and floral aromas and flavors are the hallmarks of this racy red. Intense and focused, picking up a steely, minerally element on the long finish. Best from 2019 through 2025.” Bruce Sanderson

VINTAGE 2011

Wine Spectator
93/100

Pretty aromas of rose and peony are augmented by flavors of cherry, strawberry and spice in this red, which is delicate for the appellation, though treads softly, bearing the Serralunga tannins. Fine length. Best from 2018 through 2030. Bruce Sanderson

VINTAGE 2010

Wine Spectator
92/100

This elegant red reveals rose, cherry, strawberry and subtle licorice flavors. The soft tannins are beautifully integrated, and the overall harmony makes this approachable now, but should be even better in five to seven years. Best from 2016 through 2026. Bruce Sanderson

VINTAGE 2009

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VINTAGE 2008

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Floral, sandalwood, sage and pure red berry flavors highlight this muscular Barolo, with accents of tobacco and underbrush chiming in as the tannins exert themselves on the finish. Shows good length and potential, supported by fine density. Best from 2017 through 2032.” Bruce Sanderson

Wine Spectator

92/100

Menthol and eucalyptus aromas and flavors give way to cherry and strawberry notes in this tightly wound, linear red. Well-proportioned, offering firm tannins, with mineral and light fruit accents gracing the long finish. Best from 2017 through 2035. Bruce Sanderson

VINTAGE 2007

Wine Spectator, March 2012

93/100

Bright raspberry, strawberry and currant aromas and flavors are accented by herbs, tobacco and mineral in this elegant version, which ends with a solid grip, but is well-proportioned and lingers. Best from 2014 through 2030. Bruce Sanderson

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