

"Certified organic farming of its forty hectares and about 350,000 bottles produced annually sum up La Valentina, one of Abruzzo's most dependable wine estates....This year's lineup of new releases is one of the strongest ever - perhaps the strongest ever - I recall tasting from La Valentina."

— Ian D'Agata

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91

Purple ruby. Fresh floral nuances strongly complement the aromas and flavors of blueberry and plum. Finishes long and vibrant with easygoing tannins, plenty of fruit and real purity. A knockout entry-level Montepulciano d'Abruzzo.

93+

Fully saturated inky-purple. Brooding aromas and flavors of dark plum, blackberry nectar and aromatic herbs are complicated by coffee and cocoa. At once dense but fresh, with mouthcoating tannins that are not hard or bitter but that will need plenty of time. Finishes long and clean, with lovely lingering violet perfume. This huge wine comes across as a little chunky and lacking in elegance now but all it needs is time in the cellar- lots of it.

94

Inky-purple. Very deep smoky nose hints at blackberry, blueberry, flint and violet. Then refined and juicy, with smooth deep flavors of mineral-accented blueberry and aromatic herbs. Long, multilayered and extremely elegant finish boasts real depth and complexity. This is a knockout, really grand, Montepulciano wine. Very, very well done.

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92

A powerful red with lots of chocolate and walnut character as well as intense fruit and power. Full body, chewy tannins and a fresh finish. Needs a year or two to soften.

92

A firm and silky red with plum and chocolate character. Medium body, good fruit and a chewy finish. Attractive combination of fruit and acid. Drink now.

2014

La Valentina
Montepulciano
d'Abruzzo DOC



2012

La Valentina
Bellovedere
Riserva
Montepulciano
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2013

La Valentina
Spelt Riserva
Montepulciano
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