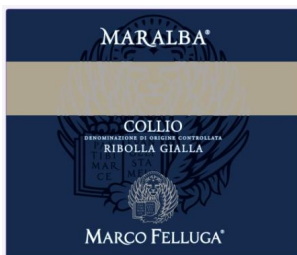


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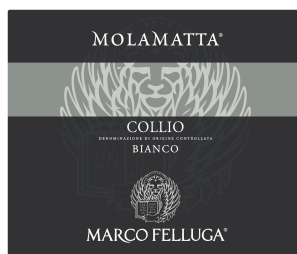
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Marco Felluga "Maralba" Ribolla Gialla Collio DOC 2021 - Crushed green apples, sage and a spritz of lime form a spicy green-tinged bouquet as the 2021 Ribolla Gialla Maralba opens in the glass. This soothes with its silky textures as a core of brisk acidity adds a reverberation of tension. The 2021 finishes with a tart twang of citrus and saline minerals while keeping the mouth watering for more. Drink the Maralba for its energy or cellar it over the short term to reveal further depths. **90**



Marco Felluga "Mongris" Pinot Grigio Collio DOC 2021 - The 2021 Pinot Grigio Mongris is stunning, with a whiff of sweet smoke and stone dust that gives way to peach skins and mint. This is round, supple and lively throughout, with ripe orchard fruits complemented by candied lime. It leaves vanilla bean and almond paste nuances while leaving the palate completely refreshed. **90**



Marco Felluga "Molamatta" Collio Bianco DOC 2017 - The 2017 Bianco Molamatta is seductive, with a rich mix of baked apples and pears accentuated by white flowers and almond custard. This is elegant, verging on opulent, but not quite, with oily textures hosting a mix of ripe tropical fruits. It finishes with admirable length and is spicy, leaving dried apricot and hazelnut notes to linger. The Molamatta is a blend of 40% Friulano, 40% Pinot Bianco and 20% Ribolla Gialla with extended lees aging that lasts up to a year. **93**



Russiz Superiore Sauvignon Collio DOC 2021 - A burst of zesty green citrus, sour melon and wild herbal tones introduce the 2021 Sauvignon. It opens with a pleasant inner sweetness complicated by salty minerality and a core of brilliant acidity that maintains fantastic energy throughout. This finishes tense, nearly crunchy in feel, with candied lime and rosemary nuances that create a sweet and sour sensation. I love the 2021s contrasting nature. Nicely done. **91**



Russiz Superiore Sauvignon Collio DOC Riserva 2019 - Deeply floral and rich in the glass, the 2019 Sauvignon Riserva opens up with a spicy bouquet of sour melon and sweet exotic flowers offset by a whiff of lemon zest. This is pure class, refined, savory and mineral in style, nearly salty, with a twang of citrus-tinged acidity and tart orchard fruits that adds a lovely tension. The 2019 finishes staining and long, with a lingering concentration that puckers the cheeks, yet also promises many years of positive development. This is full of potential. **93**



Russiz Superiore Cabernet Franc Collio DOC 2019 - The 2019 Cabernet Franc Collio entices with a uniquely spicy bouquet that evokes Indian curries, incense and pipe tobacco before revealing a core of crushed raspberry. This is like pure silk on the palate, yet with a stimulating thrust of acidity that motivates it tart wild berry fruits. Pepper-tinged inner florals and saline minerality are left to mingle through the finale, as the 2019 finishes lightly structured and distinctly savory. This is Patience will be necessary. **92**