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**La Valentina "Spelt" Montepulciano
d'Abruzzo Riserva DOC - 2017**

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PRODUCER PROFILE

Winery Owner(s):

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Winemaker:

Luca D'Attoma

Winery Founded:

1990

Region:

Abruzzo

The 2017 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo Riserva Spelt wafts up with a display of savory cherry sauce and wild herbs complemented by hints of sweet spice and smoke. It's velvety in texture yet lifted and refined, with a mix of polished red and black fruits and a web of fine-grained tannins toward the close. While youthfully structured and poised, a lasting flourish of licorice, currant and tobacco lingers incredibly long. As enjoyable as this is today, the 2017 needs another year or two of cellaring to show its best.

- Eric Guido