



JULY 2020

Selvapiana Chianti Rufina DOCG - 2018

wine *review* online

PRODUCER PROFILE

Winery Owner(s):

The Giuntini Family

Winemaker:

Federico & Nicolo Giuntini with consultant

Franco Bernabei

Winery Founded:

1827

Region:

Tuscany

Chianti Rufina 2018 is the least expensive (\$19), the easiest to enjoy, and the readiest to drink.

Its nose is surprisingly fruity and vibrant for a Chianti; it suggests fresh red cherries, dried herbs, fresh mint and thyme, and licorice. In your mouth, the wine is dry and medium-bodied, a light-ish red with a spine of acidity and just a medium amount of tannin, with fruity flavors similar to its aromas. A noteworthy aspect of this wine is how well it hangs in your mouth – fruitiness in the front, acidity up the middle and a combination of fruitiness and textured tannin in the back. It's a complete wine that delivers all across your mouth. Did I mention the price? Despite these connotations of lesser than, it's the wine I really want to drink, especially now, in July.

- Mary Ewing-Mulligan