

CASTELLO DI VOLPAIA

COLTASSALA CHIANTI CLASSICO Gran Selezione Docg 2018

Guida Essenziale Vini d'Italia - 97 points

James Suckling - 96 points

Wonderful perfumes and freshness with cut flowers, citrus and dark berries. Violets, too. Full-bodied and layered with gorgeous fruit and clarity. Hints of bark and stone. Some conifer, too. Racy and long. From organically grown grapes. Drink or hold.

Jancis Robinson - 16.5 points

Firm glowing deep garnet colour. Delicate and lifted with fine texture but not the most typically Tuscan wine in the world. There seems to be the sweetness of French oak overlaying the fruit. A suave lounge lizard rather than a son of the soil? 14% Drink 2022 - 2029

Falstaff - 94 points

Wine Critic - 94 points

Radioso ed essenziale offre note di gerani bagnati, prugne rosse, mallo di noce e pepe bianco. In sottofondo le nuance accattivanti di foglie di tè verdi ed eucalipto dominano la scena secondaria. Corpo medio, tannini soffici poco estratti ed un finale di media distensione. Bevi ora.

Vini Buoni d'Italia - 4 stelle

I vini di Veronelli - 3 stelle: 93 punti

Wine Spectator - 92 points

Fresh and focused, delivering black cherry, blackberry and stone flavors, with a structure that borders on racy. This firms up nicely on the lingering finish, which bears tinges of iron and sanguine. Best from 2023 through 2035. 150 cases imported. — BS

Vinous - 92 points

The 2018 Chianti Classico Riserva Coltassala is marked by a riper fruit profile than is common here, along with more overt sweetness and oak influence. There is plenty of depth, but less in the way of Sangiovese typicity. Chocolate, sweet spice and leather are front and center. This is an especially bombastic style that is more about intensity than finesse. Some readers may enjoy it more than I do.

Wine Enthusiast - 92 points

Decanter - 91 points

