

## CORTONESI POGGIARELLI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2018

### Professional Ratings



#### 95 Wine Enthusiast

The sweet, warm nose balances delicate notes of cherry, rose and vanilla with savory streaks of soil, leather and brick dust. On the palate, dried cranberries and bitter oranges coax out the cherries' latent tartness, while the tannins are firm yet warm, creating a comforting, reliable foundation.

#### 95 James Suckling

Wonderfully perfumed with aromas of lavender, rosehip, blueberries, strawberries, sliced orange, chocolate and nutmeg. It's full-bodied with firm, fine-grained tannins. Creamy and gorgeously textural. Long. Lots to like. Better after 2024.

#### 94 Wine Spectator

Delivers heavy black cherry, blackberry and plum fruit, along with iron, sanguine and tobacco accents to stand up to the dense, beefy tannins. The tannins dominate the finish now, yet this has all the components to evolve gracefully. Best from 2025 through 2043.

#### 94 Decanter

Poggiarelli hails from Cortonesi's holdings in Montalcino's southeast. Reaching 450 metres above sea level, the warm, well-drained site fared extremely well in 2018. In fact, this is the best vintage I have tried. Lively and intriguingly scented, it exhibits a classy balance of dark cherry, violets, stone and oak spice. The amply packed palate is neatly encased by sophisticated wood and invigoratingly firm tannins. One of the year's more powerfully structured wines, it's still somewhat austere yet poised to age gracefully.

#### 92 Jeb Dunnuck

The 2018 Brunello Di Montalcino Poggiarelli takes on more mineral-tinged aromatics, with graphite, black cherry, and smoky earth. It is generous and full on the palate, with blackberry, meaty richness without weight, and velvety tannins. A persistent mineral drive coaxes throughout and propels the wine forward.



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