

## New Releases from Abruzzo and Molise: A Mixed Bag BY IAN D'AGATA | SEPTEMBER 18, 2018

BINOMIO

MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO
denominazione di origine controllata

RISERVA

2014
14% vof

messo in bettiglia alla proprietà da

AZIENDA AGRICOLA
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Opaque inky-ruby. The deep nose combines black cherry, blackberry nectar, roast coffee, smoked meat, exotic spices and balsamic notes. Incredibly sweet and rich in the mouth, offering plenty of creamy, confectionary red and black fruit. Lush and glyceral, featuring huge but completely ripe tannins and highly concentrated fruit flavors. I found this big, strapping wine tiring after the first sip. Those who limit themselves to tasting wines rather than dining with them or who like big, bold, ripe wines will love this, however. **90 pt** 



Bright pale green-yellow. Very clean, precise green pomaceous fruits and honeydew melon on the pure, fruit-driven nose. Boasts a refined texture and sneaky concentration. The uncomplicated, easy-to-like finish is long and vibrant. Knockout entry-level wine in a tough year. **91 pt** 

2015

Spelt

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Bright ruby. Clean, fresh aromas of red berries and herbs show a strong balsamic-peppery nuance. Then flavors similar to the aromas, plus a hint of flint. The finish is long and pure. Lovely wine. **91 pt** 

Spelt

IAVALENTINA

Pale pink. Fresh strawberry and medicinal herbs on the enticing nose. Boasts a fine texture and very good density to its raspberry and strawberry flavors. Lovely wine; I'd say this is one of the more successful Cerasuolo d'Abruzzos of 2017. **92 pt** 



Bright ruby. Perfumed aromas and flavors of violet, black cherry and blueberry. A hint of licorice and savory spices adds complexity on the long, lively finish. A big, strapping wine that manages to stay light on its feet. **92 pt** 

