

# Wine Spectator

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**91** **Binomio Montepulciano d'Abruzzo Riserva 2019 \$58** | A dark, juicy red, with notes of fresh loamy earth underscoring rich flavors of dried raspberry and cranberry fruit, revealing chocolate-covered orange peel, brambly herb and smoke accents. Medium- to full-bodied, with chewy tannins firming the zesty finish. Drink now through 2029. 1,000 cases made, 300 cases imported.—A.N.

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**La Valentina Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 2021 • \$15**

Dark and tangy, with a lush core of blackberry, mulberry and boysenberry fruit flavors, revealing accents of oolong tea leaf and spiced orange peel. Shows taut, fine tannins that impart a tightly meshed feel, but this is silky and balanced overall, opening nicely on the palate and in the glass. Drink now through 2029. 11,500 cases made, 5,000 cases imported.—A.N.

