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ITALY Abruzzo

92 Binomio Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 2020

\$55 A harmonious red, with a concentrated core of blackberry coulis, fig cake and herbed olive wrapped around fine-grained, muscular tannins. Powerful and structured, but with a poised feel thanks to the overall balance. Hints of sandalwood, cocoa powder, mineral and dried sage play on the finish. Drink now through 2040. 900 cases made, 220 cases imported.—A.N.



91 La Valentina Montepulciano d'Abruzzo Terre dei Vestini Bellovedere Riserva 2021

\$64 Well-oaked and fragrant, with aromatic black licorice, vanilla and marjoram winding through a core of blackberry paste, crème de cassis, olive tapenade and mineral flavors. This sculpted, medium- to full-bodied style opens with air and should show well with time in the cellar. Best after 2027. 550 cases made, 42 cases imported.—A.N.

