

BARBARESCO RABAJÀ RISERVA 2013

Recensioni e premi - Press and awards

ANTONIO GALLONI - VINOUS –october 18, 2018 95+ pts. “The 2013 Barbaresco Riserva Rabajà is shaping up to be a jewel of a wine. That is the good news. The less good news is that, unlike the 2011, the 2013 won't be ready to drink anytime soon. Readers should expect a muscular, full-throttle Barbaresco of breadth and pure power. A super-classic wine in the making, the 2013 is captivating, even in the early going.”

ANTONIO GALLONI - VINOUS –november 7, 2019 95 pts. “The 2013 Barbaresco Rabajà Riserva is a dense, brooding wine endowed with serious depth and intensity. Graphite, smoke, cured meats, spice, leather and licorice give the Riserva its decidedly sombre, virile personality. Readers should be prepared to cellar the 2013 for at least a few years. Today, the 2013 is in an awkward stage where it is not young, but it is also not mature, and in periods like this, patience is key, as there is not much pleasure to be had. The 2013 won't be released until at least Spring 2020, so there is plenty of time.”

ANTONIO GALLONI - VINOUS –october 31, 2017 94+ pts “The 2013 Barbaresco Riserva Rabajà is gorgeous. Deeply spiced and exquisitely layered, the 2013 possesses remarkable harmony from start to finish. Even though it has just been bottled, the 2013 exhibits tons of class and pedigree. The tannins are present, but they are impeccably balanced within the wine's frame. Today, the 2013 is a bit nervous and compact, a combination of the recent bottling and vintage, but it is tremendously promising. To be released in 2020.”

JAMES SUCKLING – 96 pts. “Lots of ripe fruit on the nose and palate with dried rose petals and cigar box adding complexity. Full-bodied and rich with depth of fruit and layers of ripe tannins. Smoky finish. Decadent and glorious now.”

WINE SPECTATOR - 95 pts. “A sleek, elegant style, with plenty of intensity to its floral, strawberry, currant, mineral and eucalyptus flavors. Still a little reticent on the finish, yet balanced and pure. The fruit becomes more prominent with air, so decant gently now or age a few more years.”

The wine Front, Australia- 96 pts. , posted on 24 July 2019. Intense florals – violet and dried rose, dark raspberry, cherry, licorice, spice. Medium-bodied, but deep and sinewy, ripe cherry fruit, intense mineral tightly packed black tea tannin, and despite its darkness and backwards nature, has an alluring mouth-perfume and repressed juiciness throughout; a sure signpost to the direction it will take in the future. And it's long. A classic.

WINE ENTHUSIAST – 93 pts. “Aromas of underbrush, dried mint, hazelnut and prune lead the nose. The full-bodied, classically crafted palate features juicy Marasca cherry, baking spice and tobacco framed in taut, polished tannins while fresh acidity keeps it well balanced.”

WINE ADVOCATE – 23rd July 2020 – 93 pts. The Giuseppe Cortese 2013 Barbaresco Riserva Rabajà has a rich and sweet bouquet with plum and dark cherry. The bouquet reveals ripe black fruit notes that stand in contrast to background notes of sour cherry or cranberry. Give the wine more cellar time to come together.

GUIDA ESSENZIALE AI VINI D'ITALIA 2021 : FACCINO, 95 PTS. Granato vivo e limpido. Estremamente tradizionale al naso, con sentori di liquirizia, viola, sottobosco, accenni mentolati e balsamici, qualche nota di humus e di cuoio. Sapore deciso e salino, scattante con tannini “contadini”, ancora evidenti, ma che conferiscono carattere e autenticità al profilo gustativo.

SLOW WINE 2021: TOP WINE

GUIDA VINI D'ITALIA GAMBERO ROSSO 2021 - 3 BICCHIERI Molto intenso e maturo nei toni di frutti rossi, china e liquirizia, ancora giovanissimo, dalla freschezza acida a dir poco vibrante, ha tannini fitti e un'ergia scalpitante che gli consentirà un lunghissimo e brillante futuro.

GUIDA VITAE 2020 - 4 viti

Wine & Spirits – December 2020- 93 pts “This wine's deep cherry and plum flavors derive from the Cortese family's oldest Rabajà vines, planted in 1953. It is muscular and fresh in this moderate vintage, just beginning to show some savory notes to complement the lingering warm spice.”