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“The finest 2014s are some of the most thrilling young Barolos I have ever tasted. The best 2014s possess extraordinary aromatic intensity, finely sketched fruit and silky tannins that are the result of fully ripe skins and seeds. Some of the 2014s have a grace that recalls 2008, others are a bit more potent in feel, especially where yields were low. My favorite wines in 2014 have an inner sweetness, perfume and silkiness that remind me the young 2004s or mature 1989s.” - Antonio Galloni, Vinous

For the first time in a long while prices are moving slowly due to a tiny crop, a lower euro rate and worldwide demand. But put this region in context to Burgundy or Bordeaux and you are still on the winning side. Allocations this year are down (again) so please do not delay if you want a particular wine.

Regards
John and Richard Caro

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THE WINES

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2014 FRANCESCO RINALDI Barolo Cannubi	\$94.99
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2014 MASSOLINO Barolo Margheria	\$110
2014 MASSOLINO Barolo Parafada	\$110
2012 MASSOLINO Barolo Vigna Rionda	\$195
2016 SANDRONE Barbera d'Alba	\$39.99
2016 SANDRONE Nebbiolo d'Alba	\$49.99
2014 SANDRONE Barolo Aleste	\$165
2014 SANDRONE Barolo Le Vigne	\$165
2017 VIETTI Arneis	\$35.99
2016 VIETTI Barbera Tre Vigne	\$35.99
2016 VIETTI Barbera Vigne Scarrone	\$69.99
2016 VIETTI Barbera Scarrone Old Vines	\$89.99
2014 VIETTI Barbaresco Masseria	\$125
2014 VIETTI Barolo Castiglione	\$89.99
2014 VIETTI Barolo Lazzarito	\$265
2014 VIETTI Barolo Ravera	\$265

2014 AZELIA BAROLO - \$59.99

"Azelia's 2014 Barolo is understated, gracious and very pretty. Sweet tobacco, dried cherry, mint and crushed flowers all lift from the glass. Grippy, young Nebbiolo tannins extend the midpalate and finish. The cut and nervous energy of the year are very much on display." 89/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2014 AZELIA BAROLO BRICCO FIASCO - \$115

"The 2014 Barolo Bricco Fiasco is a typical wine for the vintage. Sweet red cherry, pomegranate, smoke, iron and dried rose petal build in this super-classic, light to medium-bodied Barolo from Azelia. The wine displays lovely persistence and grip." 91+/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2014 AZELIA BAROLO MARGHERIA - \$115

"The 2014 Barolo Margheria opens with beguiling, deep-pitched aromatics. Bright red cherry and plum fruit, licorice, anise, rose water and orange peel are some of the many notes that give the wine its personality. Bright, saline and sculpted in feel, the 2014 is going to need a few years to fully unwind, but it is unquestionably vibrant and expressive today. The 2014 spent three years in cask." 94/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2014 AZELIA BAROLO SAN ROCCO - \$115

"Today, the 2014 Barolo San Rocco comes across as a bit monolithic - within the context of the vintage, of course. As always, San Rocco is distinguished by its deep center of fruit. Firm young Nebbiolo tannins enshroud this resonant, muscular Serralunga Barolo. It will be interesting to see if the 2014 gains a bit more midpalate finesse during its aging." 93/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2004 AZELIA BAROLO MARGHERIA MAGNUM (1.5L) - \$380

"While most of the Azelia 2004s performed inline with previous tastings, the Margheria has turned out to be more compelling than I had originally foreseen. Lavender, smoke, iron, herbs, dark cherries, plums and spices give the wine its striking aromatics. Tension, energy and precision are the signatures. There is so much to like here. The Margheria spent 30 months in Slavonian and Austrian oak casks." 95/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2004 AZELIA BAROLO SAN ROCCO MAGNUM (1.5L) - \$380

"The 2004 Barolo San Rocco is in a gorgeous place right now. Expressive savory and floral notes open up in a lifted Serralunga Barolo endowed with superb underlying depth and textural richness. Ample, layered and beautifully expressive through to the finish, the 2004 is just as impressive today as it was from barrel. The 2004 spent two years in French oak barrels, 20% new." 95/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2014 BREZZA BAROLO CANNUBI - \$100

No reviews available.

2014 BREZZA BAROLO SARMASSA - \$100

No reviews available.

2015 BRUNO ROCCA BARBARESCO - \$74.99

"the 2015 Barbaresco offers lovely mid-palate depth and suppleness in a forward style that will provide considerable pleasure upon release. Pliant and inviting, with soft contours for a recently bottled wine, the 2015 makes its case with generous, radiant fruit and an inviting personality that will be hard to resist." 90/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2015 BRUNO ROCCA BARBARESCO RABAJA - \$130

"The 2015 Barbaresco Rabajà is surprisingly accessible for such a young wine from this revered site in Barbaresco. There is plenty of Rabajà impact and density, and yet the 2015 has a certain charm and seductiveness to it that is impossible to miss. It will be interesting to see if the 2015 shuts down at some point in bottle. Given the natural power and structure of Rabajà, I suspect that will happen." 93/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2015 BRUNO ROCCA BARBARESCO CURRA - \$130

"Here in its first release as a vineyard designate, the 2015 Barbaresco Currà is energetic and focused, as wines from this site in Neive often are. It will be interesting to see if the 2015 gains volume and depth. Today, it is a bit nervous. Some of that may be attributable to its recent bottling." 92/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2013 BRUNO ROCCA BARBARESCO RABAJA RISERVA - \$250

"Rocca's 2013 Barbaresco Riserva Rabajà is just as compelling from bottle as it was from cask. Deep, penetrating aromatics meld into a core of dark red fruit in a deep, translucent Barbaresco endowed with nuance and pedigree. A wine of dimension, breadth and power; the 2013 has it all. The tannins need time to soften, but that won't come as a surprise. Hints of kirsch, rose petal and mint add shades of complexity. There is an element of classicism in the 2013 that is so well suited to Rabajà as a site." 96/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2013 BRUNO ROCCA BARBARESCO CURRA RISERVA - \$250

"The 2013 Barbaresco Riserva Currà is a wine of total class and refinement. Lifted and aromatic, with striking perfume, this mid-weight, polished Barbaresco has a lot to offer. Scents of sweet pipe tobacco, dried cherry, herb, anise and menthol add to the wine's complexity and nuance. The long, persistent finish, firm tannins and soaring perfume are classic Currà." 94+/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2014 BURLOTTO BAROLO CLASSICO - \$74.99

"Burlotto's 2014 Barolo is delicate, gracious and very pretty. Floral and supremely inviting, it is a fabulous wine for the year, and the mid-weight, perfumed style of the vintage comes through loud and clear. In 2014, Burlotto did not make their Barolo Acclivi. Instead, all of the wine that would have gone into that blend went into this, the entry-level bottling, which is a testament to Fabio Alessandria's commitment to delivering not just quality but also value among his more affordable wines." 91/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2016 CANTINA DEL PINO BARBERA D'ALBA - \$35.99

No reviews available.

2014 CANTINA DEL PINO BARBARESCO - \$54.99

No reviews available.

2014 CANTINA DEL PINO BARBARESCO ALBESANI - \$79.99

No reviews available.

2014 CANTINA DEL PINO BARBARESCO GALLINA - \$79.99

No reviews available.

2014 CANTINA DEL PINO BARBARESCO OVELLO - \$79.99

No reviews available.

2017 ELVIO COGNO MOSCATO D ASTI - \$29.99

No reviews available.

2014 ELVIO COGNO BAROLO RAVERA - \$135

"Cogno's 2014 Barolo Ravera is tense and crystalline in feel, with striking translucence and a level of purity in its flavors and textures that is beguiling. The inner tension in the 2014 is simply alluring. Bright, red-toned fruit, floral overtones and piercing saline underpinnings all come to life in this compelling, deeply expressive Barolo from Elvio Cogno." 94/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

"Novello. Skin maceration for more than 40 days (!). MLF in stainless steel immediately after the alcoholic fermentation. Aged for 24 months in large Slavonian oak casks of 50, 30 and 25 hl. Lustrous mid ruby with orange tinges. Beautiful flowery cherry nose that is still a little bit reductive. Balsamic hint and a touch of liquorice. Supple and with savoury mineral impact on the palate. Gorgeous balance between savoury fruit and firm, savoury tannins, like sucking ripe stalks. This is clearly far from ready."

17.5/20 Walter Speller; JancisRobinson.com

2013 ELVIO COGNO BAROLO BRICCO PERNICE - \$160

"Despite its medium-bodied, classic feel, the 2013 Barolo Bricco Pernice is a deep wine endowed with multiple layers of nuance that will only emerge with considerable time in bottle. Even so, the wine's beauty and pedigree are evident. The 2013 vintage produced a classically austere Bricco Pernice built on structure, acid and tannin. Time in the glass reveals some of the floral, savory and spice notes that are laced into the red cherry and blood orange. Even so, the 2013 remains quite dark and massively tannic. Bottles are best forgotten about for at least another handful of years, or even more." 96/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2012 ELVIO COGNO BAROLO VIGNA ELENA - \$160

"Cagno's 2012 Barolo Riserva Vigna Elena is one of the finer wines of this generally uneven vintage. Ethereal and gracious, the Vigna Elena is deceptive in its structure and overall feel, and yet it has so much to say. The spice, rose petal, orange zest and bright red cherry fruit are all finely etched. A few years in bottle will help the tannins soften." 95+/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous
"100% Rosè. Released two years after the other Elvio Cagno Barolos. Lustrous mid ruby with a narrow, orange rim. Pretty much similar to Bricco Pernice, but more brooding and with enormous concentration of ripe, sweet-sour cherry. With aeration, it increases noticeably in depth. A wine to wallow in. Compact and backward with succulent red fruit underneath. Very tight finish with bags of polished tannins. Not nearly ready. Taut, yet powerful." 17.5+/20 Walter Speller, JancisRobinson.com

2014 FRANCESCO RINALDI BAROLO - \$74.99

No reviews available.

2014 FRANCESCO RINALDI BAROLO BRUNATE - \$94.99

No reviews available.

2014 FRANCESCO RINALDI BAROLO CANNUBI - \$94.99

No reviews available.

2014 FRANCESCO RINALDI BAROLO BRUNATE MAGNUM - \$210

No reviews available.

2014 FRANCESCO RINALDI BAROLO CANNUBI MAGNUM - \$210

No reviews available.

2017 MASSOLINO MOSCATO D ASTI - \$29.99

No reviews available.

2016 MASSOLINO NEBBIOLO LANGHE - \$39.99

No reviews available.

2014 MASSOLINO BAROLO - \$64.99

"The 2014 Barolo is a wine of sublime elegance, finesse and nuance. The level of detail here is quite striking. Fragrant and litling in the glass and deceptively medium in body, this pristine Barolo is all class. Readers who can find it should not hesitate, as it is superb, not to mention one of the best straight 2014 Barolos I tasted!" 91/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

"Serralunga d'Alba. Total skin contact of 14 days and aged for two years in large 40- to 100-hl oak casks. 5.8 g/l acidity. Just mid ruby, lustrous, with the beginning of orange tinges. Savoury nose at first with a peppery edge and hint of liquorice with ripe fruit lurking underneath. Minerally and with a touch of oak. Super-fresh, elegant and with tannic bite on a racy fruit finish. Really appetising. Lithe!" 17/20 Walter Speller, JancisRobinson.com

2014 MASSOLINO BAROLO MARGHERIA - \$110

"Rose petal, dried cherry, kirsch, mint, sage and licorice give the 2014 Barolo Margheria much of its beguiling, nuanced personality. Deceptive in its midweight structure, it packs a serious punch. The sinewy, potent Serralunga tannins need time to soften a bit, but I don't think that will be an issue given how impeccably balanced the 2014 is in the early going. A bit of air brings out the wine's explosive persistence and drive. A closing flourish of sage, tobacco and kirsch rounds things out in style. The only open question is how much time the 2014 needs, because it is clearly a gorgeous wine in the making." 94/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

"Serralunga d'Alba. Total skin maceration of 15 days including the duration of the alcoholic fermentation. Main extraction method is punching down and several pumping overs and one délestage to improve colour. The wine stays away from the juice for six to seven hours, in which enzymatic processes break up the cells improving extraction. Aged for 24 months in large oak casks. 5.8 g/l acidity. Lustrous and just mid ruby. Loads of minerality on the nose, slow to unfurl with perfumed raspberry. Vibrant and succulent – fantastic energy – dances over the palate with long, precise, firm tannins. Irresistible but deserves more bottle age." 17+/20 Walter Speller, JancisRobinson.com

2014 MASSOLINO BAROLO PARAFADA - \$110

"Playing true to type, the 2014 Barolo Parafada is a bit more powerful and dense through the middle than the other Serralunga Barolos in the range. Deep and concentrated - especially in the context of the year - the Parafada presents an intriguing mélange of sweet tobacco, mint, dried cherry and underbrush nuances before the firm, sinewy Serralunga tannins make their presence known. The Parafada is not as refined as the other wines in the lineup, but it has a certain immediacy that is undeniably appealing. I would give it a few years to unwind." 93/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

"Serralunga d'Alba. Just mid ruby. Hints of oatmeal and raspberry and a hint of liquorice. Lots of depth and at the same time super-lithe and elegant. Redcurrant and raspberry palate with gorgeous mouth-filling, coating tannins." 17.5/20 Walter Speller, JancisRobinson.com

2012 MASSOLINO VIGNA RIONDA - \$195

Readers will find a silky, nuanced Barolo in the 2012 Riserva Vigna Rionda. Rose water, orange zest, cinnamon, sage, mint and dried cherry are some of the many nuances that give the 2012 its aromatic top notes, and all of the elements fall into place effortlessly. Relatively open-knit for a young Rionda, this should drink well with minimal cellaring. I loved it." 95 Galloni Vinous

"Just mid ruby. Very fine, yet concentrated and with depth on the nose. Lots of concentrated raspberry fruit and yet remains completely transparent. Mouthfilling aromas and chewy tannins. Austere, yet delicious. Grand cru pedigree." 17.5/20 Walter Speller, JancisRobinson.com

2016 SANDRONE BARBERA D'ALBA - \$39.99

No reviews available.

2016 SANDRONE NEBBIOLO D'ALBA - \$49.99

No reviews available.

2014 SANDRONE BAROLO ALESTE - \$165.00

"The 2014 Barolo Aleste is a wine of exquisite finesse and grace. Soft, understated and classy, it is a terrific example of the vintage at its best. Bright red cherry and red plum fruit give the wine its vibrant feel. In 2014, the Aleste is decidedly medium-bodied and restrained, especially compared to recent past vintages. Readers should keep in mind that Aleste is the new name for the Cannubi Boschis Barolo." 93/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2014 SANDRONE BAROLO LE VIGNE - \$165.00

"The 2014 Barolo Le Vigne once again shows the wisdom of blending fruit from different sites. If there is a vintage where blending has the potential to be the difference-maker, 2014 is it. So it is hardly surprising to find the 2014 Le Vigne in such great shape. The red cherry jam, mint, cedar and floral notes are all finely sketched. Medium in body and classy, the 2014 is beautifully textured and inviting from start to finish. All the elements are simply in the right place. Vineyard sources are Merli, Vignane, Villero and Baudana." 96/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2017 VIETTI ARNEIS - \$35.99

No reviews available.

2016 VIETTI BARBERA TRE VIGNE - \$35.99

No reviews available.

2016 VIETTI BARBERA VIGNE SCARRONE - \$69.99

No reviews available.

2016 VIETTI BARBERA SCARRONE OLD VINES - \$89.99

No reviews available.

2014 VIETTI BARBARESCO MASSERIA - \$125

"The 2014 Barbaresco Masseria is superb. Dark, ample and structured, the 2014 captures all the pedigree of this important Barbaresco vintage. As always, the Vietti's Masseria is a wine that has Barolo-like structure and depth, partly because it is vinified and aged pretty much along the same lines as those wines. I expect the 2014 will require at least a handful of years to shed some tannin and start showing some of its inherent inner sweetness. There is so much to look forward to. Bright acids and a firm spine of tannin give the red-toned fruit energy and vivacity throughout." 94+/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2014 VIETTI BAROLO CASTIGLIONE - \$89.99

"The 2014 Barolo Castiglione is superb. Nuanced, layered and sculpted in the glass, the Castiglione is a wine of real precision and class. In 2014, the Castiglione is medium in body and gracious, with perhaps a bit less stuffing than in some previous editions, but tons of persistence. Hints of lavender, rose petal and red berry fruit lead into the crystalline, translucent finish. Time in the glass brings out this gorgeous Barolo's more refined side. Once again, the Castiglione is a real overachiever. The Castiglione is built on a core of Ravera, with a complement of fruit from other sites that are often vineyard-designated by other producers." 93/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2014 VIETTI BAROLO LAZZERITO - \$265

"In many ways, the gorgeous 2014 Barolo Lazzarito is the most surprising wine in the range. Once a stylistic outlier with a considerable French oak influence, today it is much closer to the other Barolos in terms of feel. Deep, dark and intense, with all of the energy of the year very much on display, the Lazzarito is super-expressive and shows a more red-toned profile than is the norm. Kirsch, mint, rose petal and chalk all develop in the glass, while beams of tannin and salinity give the wine shape and persistence. The weight and depth of Serralunga come through on the midpalate and into the finish. Even so, this is in a decidedly laid-back style for Serralunga. In 2014, I especially like the wine's aromatic presence." 96/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous

2014 VIETTI BAROLO RAVERA - \$265

"Another highlight in this range, the 2014 Barolo Ravera opens with the most exquisite, captivating aromatics imaginable. It will be interesting to see if it develops a bit more midpalate depth and pliancy. Today, the 2014 is a bit austere, even within the context of the year and this site, where the wines are a bit on the nervous side to start. I have seen Vietti Raveras blossom into spectacular wines and imagine that will be the case here as well. Readers should not plan on opening a bottle anytime soon." 97/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous