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**Top 100 Italian Wines of 2023 by Kerin O'Keefe** 2023 proved to be an amazing year for Italian wines: it was incredibly hard to choose only 100, but here are the best of the best. 2023 proved to be an amazing year for Italian wines. The aristocratic 2019 Barolos were released and were a throwback to the days of yore, showcasing austere, classic wines with serious aging potential while the delicious 2020 Barbarescos showed great fruit and almost immediate appeal. My anteprima tasting of the fantastic 2019 Brunellos, to be released in early 2020, offered up many extraordinary wines that show class and energy. I also tried many other exemplary wines from across the boot and the islands, including stunning whites from Friuli Venezia Giulia, Alto Adige, Sicily, Sardinia and Orvieto in Umbria as well excellent reds from up and down the Peninsula with a shout out

Burlotto 2019 Monvigliero Barolo #2 of 2023 100 Monteraponi 2019 Chianti Classico Gran Selezione #3 of 2023 100 Ciacci Piccolomini d'Aragona 2019 Pianrosso Brunello di Montalcino Boasting great depth and extreme elegance, the drop-dead gorgeous Ciacci Piccolomini Pianrosso delivers crushed raspberry, succulent Morello cherry, star anise and crushed mint flavors while aromas of eucalyptus, wild rose, new leather and forest floor continuously lift out of the glass. It's a smooth, stunning wine, with taut, fine-grained tannins and fresh acidity that lend great aging potential and energy. Absolutely stunning. Drink 2029–2044. Abv: 15% Kerin O'Keefe  
September 2023 @kerinokeefe.com #4 of 2023 100 Conti Costanti 2019 Brunello di Montalcino #5 of 2023 100  
Figli Luigi Oddero 2016 Vignarionda Barolo #6 of 2023 100 L'Aietta 2019 Alberelli Brunello di Montalcino #7 of 1/1