



RISECCOLI

A WINERY IN TUSCANY

ACCLAIM HIGHLIGHTS

RISECCOLI CHIANTI CLASSICO (DOCG)

- 2006 • **90 POINTS** – *Wine Spectator*, James Suckling (31st October 2008)
Exhibits blackberry and liquorice aromas, with hints of vanilla. Full-bodied, with chewy tannins. There's lots of new wood, but also impressive concentration of fruit. Should settle down a bit with bottle age. Needs time. Best after 2010.
- 2004 • **SILVER MEDAL** – *Decanter World Wine Awards 2006* – *Decanter Magazine*
Big, fat, juicy. Well-made fruit.
- 1999 • **87 POINTS** – *The Wine Advocate*, Robert Parker
Riseccoli's attractive 1999 Chianti Classico exhibits a medium ruby colour as well as sweet raspberry and cherry fruit with a notion of cedar. Straightforward and medium bodied, displaying excellent purity and an adequate finish, it will drink well for 3–4 years.
- **89 POINTS** – *Top 100 Wines, Spirits & Values: Best of Year 2002, Ranked in the first 15* – *Wine Enthusiast*
Attractive in the nose, with typical and traditional aromas of cherry and underbrush. Mild oak adds some vanilla to the cherry-laden palate, which also offers a fine touch of cinnamon. The finish is round and modestly tannic. All in all, this one comes real close to the bull's eye. It's solid and largely complete.
- **17/20** – *Vinum* (November 2001)
Eher helles Rot, einladende Noten von roter Beerenmarmelade, riefen Erdbeeren, Tiefe gibt immer neue Aromen frei, süßser, fruchtiger Ansatz, saftig, kraftvoll, Frucht zieht sich bis in dem langen Abang, gutes, reifes Tannin, 2002 bis 2006.

RISECCOLI CHIANTI CLASSICO RISERVA (DOCG)

- 2007 • **3 STARS** – “Recommended” *Decanter Panel Tasting* – *Decanter Magazine* (May 2011)
Morello jam, lush black fruit, balsamic, toasty oak and savoury aromas. Broad, supple, fleshy palate with integrated tannins and grip. Well modulated.
- 2004 • **2 STARS** – *Italian Wine Review (IWR)*, Kyle Phillips (2nd March 2009)
Deep black cherry ruby with black reflections and cherry rim. The bouquet is bright, with cherry fruit supported by slightly jammy berry fruit acidity and by some sour bramble; the overall impression is airy. On the palate it's medium bodied, with fairly rich sour cherry fruit supported by smooth sweet tannins that flow into a clean rather sour tannic finish. Pleasant in a traditional key, and will drink nicely with stews or roasts. Worth seeking out if you like the style.
- 2001 • **90 POINTS** – *Wine Spectator*, James Suckling (15th October 2004)
A well-structured red, with ripe plum, berry and vanilla character. Full-bodied, with rounded and well-integrated tannins and a long, rich finish. Drink now.
- **COMMENDED** – *Decanter World Wine Awards 2011* – *Decanter Magazine*
- 2000 • **90 POINTS** – *Wine Spectator*, James Suckling (30th September 2003)
Very ripe, with prune, berry and cedar aromas. Full-bodied, with chewy tannins and a long, long finish. Big burly, very serious. Best after 2005.
- 1999 • **4 STARS** – “Highly Recommended” – *Decanter Magazine* (July 2003)
- **4 STARS** – *Buying Guide / Panel Tasting* – *Decanter Magazine* (October 2002)
Sweet coconut, fig and lush cherries. Powerful coconutty oak. Chocolate and morello cherries, smooth, ripe tannins. Long length—needs time. 2–5 years.
- 1997 • **RECOMMENDED** – *Red Wines of the Year* – *Decanter Magazine* (October 2001)



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PICCOLO VERDOT DI RISECCOLI (IGT)

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– *Decanter Magazine*

2006 • **DUE BICCHIERI ROSSI** – *Gambero Rosso*
(October 2009)

Il Petit Verdot 2006 centra le finali grazie a un naso speziato e carnoso, per un corpo opulento ma ben equilibrato dall'acidità'.

• *Buying Guide 2010: Spurrier's World*
– *Decanter Magazine*
Worth a place in the cellar. Elegant expression of this Bordeaux varietal.

RINASCITA DI RISECCOLI (IGT)

2006 • **Top Ten Best-Value Wines From Italy**
– *Decanter Magazine* (March 2010)

Very classy nose: red cherry fruit and spice with well-integrated oak. Dense fruit on the palate with firm tannins and tight structure but beautifully wrapped with sweet red cherry flavours. Decent length.

SÆCULUM DI RISECCOLI (IGT)

2001 • **90 POINTS** – *Wine Spectator, James Suckling*
(Tasting Notes 2004)

Excellent and overlooked by many. Lots of grilled meat and ripe fruit, verging on prunes. Full-bodied and chewy, with big silky tannins. Big and juicy. Needs time. Best after 2005.

1999 • **93 POINTS** – *Wine Spectator, James Suckling*
(December 2002)

Very, very well-done. Complex aromas of minerals, berries, currants and black liquorice. Full-bodied, with a compacted, thick fruit and tannin structure. Long, long finish. Fantastic. Best after 2004. 600 cases made.

2000 • **92 POINTS** – *Wine Spectator, James Suckling*
(31st October 2002)

Dark coloured, with very ripe and complex aromas of crushed berries, minerals and black liquorice. Full-bodied, with big velvety tannins and a long, caressing finish. A balanced and complex wine. Best after 2005.

• **93+ POINTS** – *The Wine Advocate, Robert Parker*
(December 2002)

The highlight of this winery year in and year out is their Sæculum, a barrique-aged blend of 60% Sangiovese, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Merlot. This superb opaque ruby/purple-coloured 2000 Sæculum exhibits a big, sweet bouquet of melted chocolate fudge, espresso roast, blackberries, and cherries with a suggestion of liquorice and leather in the background. It possesses terrific stuffing, admirable purity, a layered palate impression, and a long, full-bodied concentrated finish. This is top-notch! Anticipated maturity: 2006–2020.

• **93 POINTS** – *The Wine Advocate, Robert Parker*
(October 2001)

The opaque purple-coloured 1999 Sæculum (a proprietary blend of 60% Sangiovese, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 10% Merlot aged in 100% new French oak) offers spectacular aromas of jammy cherries, strawberry cream, and toasty oak. It is a full-bodied, layered, super endowed offering with significant potential. There is plenty of glycerine, sweet tannins, and a 45 second finish in this terrific Tuscan red. Drink it over the next 10–15 years.

• **91 POINTS** – *Guida Oro 2003, I Vini Di Veronelli*
Un vino che m'ha acceso/incendiato.

1997 • **92 POINTS** – *The Wine Advocate, Robert Parker*
(August 2000)

The 1997 Sæculum IGT is superb. Opaque purple-coloured, with a thick, viscous texture, this full bodied, explosively rich, massive 1997 exhibits huge aromas of black fruits, smoke, charcoal, truffles, and toasty oak. It possesses sweet tannin, fabulous fruit extraction, an immense finish, a tremendous overall balance and purity. Give this spectacular effort 2–3 years to become more delineated, and drink over the following two decades. Very impressive!



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VIN SANTO DEL CHIANTI CLASSICO (DOC)

1998 • **92 POINTS** – *Gambero Rosso* (February 2006)

Ottima impressione alla vista, con un colore ambrato, dai bei riflessi aranciati, appassionante. Il naso è deliziato da sensazioni di nocciola, alle quali fanno da contrappunto piacevoli aromi fruttati, di albicocca essicata, con delle spezie a nobilitare il tutto. Al gusto si mostra vitale, con un corpo ampio e largo, godibile dolcezza e vena acida