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2010 Fornacina Brunello di Montalcino

A Sangiovese Dry Red Table wine from Italy , Montalcino, Brunello di Montalcino, Tuscany, Italy, Review by Monica Larner

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Rating: 93

Drink: 2017 - 2028

Cost: \$55

Simone Bilorsi's 2010 Brunello di Montalcino exhibits a dark garnet color and little light penetration. Fornacina has been using organic farming methods since 2004 and the pureness of the fruit does come through in this classic vintage. Ash, smoke and dried fruit lift from the glass to reveal softer tones of spice, licorice and grilled herb at the back. This wine already shows signs of tar and black tar that hint at the beginnings of bottle evolution. Otherwise, the delivers is very smooth and silky and the wine boasts fresh acidity to keep it lively. The finish is long and rich.

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