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94 Fornacina 2006 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva

Opens with dark concentration, extra pulp and density in terms of texture. There's an extra padding of softness here that helps buffer the high acidity and natural firmness. Not ready to drink for another ten years at least. Villa Italia.

abv. 14.5% Price: \$92

94 Fornacina 2007 Brunello di Montalcino

This Brunello offers a bright, vertical delivery of aromas with lively cherry, cola, hummus, dark spice and pipe tobacco as well as savory tones of beef bresaola and even a touch of white peppercorn. Impressive complexity and workmanship. Elegant and streamlined on the close with a bright point of freshness. Cellar Selection.

abv: 14.5% Price: \$64