

BRANCAIA Chianti Classico Riserva 2017

Decanter

90 POINTS

Brancaia's Riserva combines fruit from estate vineyards in Radda and Castellina, though the plots vary from vintage to vintage. The final selection is made through tasting trials of separate lots conducted by owner Barbara Widmer and her team. The 2017 comes across as less oak-led than previous vintages and is fairly reserved. With coaxing, it divulges chocolate, mint tea, tobacco and forest berries. The tannins are still rather rigid and a tad dry, while the fruit is mellow and soft. Spiced plum pads out the palate and the finish brings in powdered cocoa notes.

Drinking Window 2022 - 2027

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