

Independent Wine making good choices

Try these Decanter medal-winning Italian wines from Edinburgh-based importer, Independent Wine

There are few better ways to finish your day than with a glass of Italian wine, especially a truly high-quality wine and perhaps even one that's recently won a prestigious medal. Enter [Independent Wine](#) an Edinburgh-based company specialising in premium wines from Italy.

Wine lovers will already know that just a week or so ago, Decanter Magazine announced the best wines of 2020. A panel of experts chose the very best bottles from over 16,500 wineries across the globe. A long list of 20 wines from Independent Wine's portfolio were awarded Decanter Gold, Silver or Bronze medals.

The company prides itself on being a premium Italian wine specialist. While it operates from an office in the Dean Village, the shop itself is fully online.

Elvira Dmitrieva, CEO, says: "We are proud to work with some of the best family-owned wineries in Italy. The Decanter Award is possibly the most important recognition in the UK. We are thrilled that one of our wines was voted 'Best in Show', and another was named 'Decanter Wine of the Year 2020'."



Elvira Dmitrieva, CEO of Independent Wine
That 'Best in Show' wine is Maturum Lagrein, a cool climate red wine from the German-speaking Alto Adige region in northern Italy. A relative of Pinot Noir and Syrah, this red

grape is not common in the UK. It's a bit of a hidden gem, and the Maturum version tastes like violets, dried roses and dark chocolate. Elvira suggests you try serving it lightly chilled.

Meanwhile, Decanter's '2020 Wine of the Year' is Siddùra Nùali's lush Muscat dessert wine from Sardinia. Made using the passito method, extracting juice from dried grapes, this wine has concentrated flavours of mango, pineapple, honey and caramel. Elvira says it is 'the perfect accompaniment to a winter cheese board'.

These two stand-out wines and the other 18 medal-winners are not expensive buys.

Elvira explained: "Our shop is online only, which allows us to sell high-end wines at a more affordable price". Plus there's some good news for impatient shoppers. Elvira says: "We deliver wines next day to customers in the Central Belt and in England. But our customers in Edinburgh can enjoy same day delivery, if they place their order by 12noon."

She continued: "Our portfolio covers a wide range of tastes and preferences – from classic oak-aged reds like Barolo and Amarone to the refreshing and tropical whites of Alto Adige. The important thing is, they are all excellent wines, and 20 of them have now successfully passed the most rigorous evaluation by Decanter".

You will find these award-winning wines and more on Independent Wine's website, www.independent.wine

Independent Wine's Decanter World Wine Awards 2020 winners

Wine	Award
K.Martinin & Sohn Lagrein Maturum Riserva	Best in show

Siddùra Nùali Passito 2016 Moscato di Sardegna DOC	Decanter Wine of the Year 2020
Massimago, Amarone 2015, Decanter World Wine Awards 2020	Silver
Gagliole Gallule 2016 Organic Chianti Classico DOCG Riserva	Silver
K.Martini & Sohn, Alte Reben Pinot Bianco 2017 Alto Adige DOC	Silver
Francone Barolo 2016 Barolo DOCG La Morra and Monforte d'Alba	Silver
Francone Barbaresco DOCG Fausoni	Silver
Francone Barbaresco DOCG Gallina 100% Nebbiolo	Silver
Castello di Radda Vigna il Corno, Gran Selezione Chianti Classico DOCG 	Gold
Castello di Radda 2017 Chianti Classico DOCG	Silver
Castello di Radda Riserva Chianti Classico DOCG	Silver
Peter Zemmer Pinot Noir Rolhüt 2018 Alto Adige DOC	Bronze
Peter Zemmer Pinot Noir Riserva Vigna Kofl 2017 Alto Adige DOC	Silver
Peter Zemmer Pinot Grigio Riserva Giatl 2017 Alto Adige DOC	Gold
ForteMasso Barolo Castelletto Barolo DOCG 100% Nebbiolo	Silver
Ridolfi Fiero 2017 Super Tuscan IGT	Bronze
Ridolfi Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2015	Silver
Kurtatsch Brenntal Riserva Merlot 2016	Bronze
Siddùra Fola Riserva 2017 Cannonau di Sardegna DOC	Silver

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