



CORTONESI

# LA MANNELLA BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO

## 'Press Highlights'

2019

- 94 – JAMES SUCKLING, *September 25, 2023*

"Pretty sweet-berry and cherry aromas with hints of cedar and crushed stones. Medium body, fine tannins and a fresh finish. Tight and refined. Give it two or three years to open. Best after 2026."

2018

- 95 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *December 2023 Issue*

"The nose recalls an October day, as an autumnal earthiness mingles with the density of dark chocolate and the spice of anise, and the last of the summer's stone fruit. On the palate, the chocolate grows sweeter as Halloween approaches, but earthy, bitter notes persist through the astringent, chalky, tannic finish."

- 94, #38 of the Best 50 Wines of 2023 – VINEPAIR, *November 2023*

"Bright red fruit and spice notes with grippy tannins."

- 93 – JEB DUNNUCK, *March 6, 2023*

"...Full-bodied, its ample fruit is evenly balanced through the palate, with ripe tannins and a fresh mineral texture. It offers notes of fresh leather, ripe cherry, cedar, and warming spices throughout, with its perfume lasting long after the wine is gone. It is a lovely wine to drink over the next 10-15 years."

- 93 – WINE ADVOCATE, *March 9, 2023*

"The Cortonesi 2018 Brunello di Montalcino La Mannella is similar to the Poggiarelli in terms of brightness and fruit wealth, yet this wine is perhaps more savory, spicy and accessible. It offers a velvety, medium to full-bodied texture with lingering tones of campfire ash and leather..."

2017

- 94 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *April 2022 Issue*

"...Full-bodied and elegantly structured, the accessible palate delivers dried cherry, raspberry jam, licorice and a hint of white pepper set against velvety tannins..."

- 93 – WINE ADVOCATE, *February 17, 2022*

"...Even its appearance is especially attractive, given its dark but glossy garnet shine. The wine's aromas unwind slowly, starting with dark fruit and plum, but carefully transition to spice, smoke and cedar..."

- 93 – JAMES SUCKLING, *October 26, 2021*

"Extremely refined and together for a 2017, with round, fine tannins that show tension and balance. Medium to full body, creamy texture and delicious finish. Savory and juicy. Drink now."

- 92 – WINE SPECTATOR, *June 30, 2022*

- 92, One of the "Top 10 Best Value Brunello di Montalcino 2017 Wines" – DECANTER, *January 27, 2022*

- 90 – VINOUS, *December 2021*

2016

- 95 – JAMES SUCKLING, *November 11, 2020*

- 94 – WINE ADVOCATE, *November 30, 2020*

- 94 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, *May 2021*