

# 'Press Highlights'



CORTONESI

2019

## • 95 - WINE ADVOCATE, September 25, 2023

"...The wine is rich with dense fruit flavors and ripe tannins. You taste Sangiovese's skins with a hint of bitterness. However, the truly distinguishing factor of Poggiarelli is the etched mineral notes."

#### • 94 – DECANTER, November 13, 2023

"...Broad shouldered and sturdy, the palate broods with hints of blackcurrant offset by stony minerals. Tannins are expansive and grainy yet deftly woven into the whole. Juiciness appears toward the backend giving buoyancy. Spice notes reverberate on the finish, taking on shades of cinnamon."

#### • 94 – JAMES SUCKLING, September 25, 2023

"Plenty of plum and cherry character here with aromas of flowers and cherry blossom that follow through to a medium body, very fine tannins and a flavorful finish. Plenty of clean fruit at the end. Give it time to develop in the bottle. Better after 2025."

• 93 - WINE ENTHUSIAST, June 17, 2024

## • 92 - WINE SPECTATOR, April 2024

"Raspberry, black currant and floral aromas burst from the glass in this fresh and distinctive red, while the fruit flavors mingle with iron, tobacco, sanguine and wild herb accents. Burly tannins emerge on the long, palate-staining finish. Best from 2026 through 2040."

#### 2018

### • 95 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, December 2023 Issue

"The sweet, warm nose balances delicate notes of cherry, rose and vanilla with savory streaks of soil, leather and brick dust. On the palate, dried cranberries and bitter oranges coax out the cherries' latent tartness, while the tannins are firm yet warm, creating a comforting, reliable foundation."

### • 94+ - WINE ADVOCATE, March 9, 2023

"The Cortonesi 2018 Brunello di Montalcino Poggiarelli (with 8,000 bottles made) maintains a good sense of freshness and primary fruit. This fact is not to be underestimated, especially in this challenging vintage that started off cool and ended very hot. Poggiarelli opens to a darkly saturated appearance with tart cassis, wild cherry, blue flower and grilled rosemary. The wine is structured and firm with a subdued and elegant finish..."

### • 92 – JEB DUNNUCK, March 6, 2023

"...It is generous and full on the palate, with blackberry, meaty richness without weight, and velvety tannins. A persistent mineral drive coaxes throughout and propels the wine forward. Drink 2024-2034."

#### 2017

### • 94 – WINE ADVOCATE, February 17, 2022

"...reveals dense and rich fiber that wraps thickly but smoothly over the palate. This wine is woven tightly with soft layers of black fruit, plum, spice, tar and licorice. It is important to underline the difference between the more compact and vertical La Mannella against this more generous and broad-based wine..."

- 93 JAMES SUCKLING, October 26, 2021
- 90 WINE ENTHUSIAST, April 2022 Issue
- **90 WINE SPECTATOR,** June 30, 2022

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