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Barolo Riserva 2016 vintage report: 20 top picks by quality and value

It's time for one of Barolo's finest vintages to have its Riserva wines assessed. Aldo Fiordelli presents his top 20 wines.



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Blind tasted by **Aldo Fiordelli** (at Alba, 26 Jan 2022)
Part of **Barolo Riserva 2016 vintage report: 20 top picks by quality and value**

A great Riserva from Fortemasso, where precise handling of the must with a quite modern style follows the freshness of fruit typical of Castelletto. An intense cola aroma with vibrancy and depth is full of balsamic notes and enhanced by Parma violet touches. The tannins are soft and velvety, relaxing on the savoury liquorice palate; full, large, evolved yet tight and brilliant. The tense, toasty length of tobacco is allied to dried cherry fruit.

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