



# **CHIANTI CLASSICO GRAN SELEZIONE VIGNA GITTORI REVIEWS 2019**

**JAMES SUCKLING**

**96 pts - #86 TOP 100 WINE ITALY**

Blackberry, orange-peel and Spanish-cedar aromas. Exotic fruit, too. Full-bodied with seamless tannins and a very, very long finish. A benchmark Gran Selezione. Structured, yet fine at the same time. Drink or hold.

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**DECANTER**

**97 pts – BEST IN SHOW TOP50 WINE IN THE WORLD**

Riecine's first ever Gran Selezione is a true beauty. It comes from the Gittori vineyard, a south-facing plot which sits above 500 metres, planted in 1971 - after renting it for 20 years, the estate was finally able to purchase it in 2019. The nose shows pure, precise fragrances of rose, wildflower, raspberry and spice. Fruit is at the fore, with integrated oak in the background – simply there to support. Youthfully plump and joyful at the moment, the succulent acidity and silky tannins bring vibrancy and alluring texture respectively. It has the depth and complexity worthy of Gran Selezione and is a glorious demonstration that the category isn't solely reserved for muscle-bound powerhouses.

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**VINOUS – ANTONIO GALLONI**

**93 pts**

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**FALSTAFF**

**94 pts**

Bright ruby red with a delicately brightening edge. Expressive nose, clear, initially of fine wild strawberry and some raspberry, reverberating red currants and subtle vegetal aromas. Shows extremely elegantly and polished on the palate, with tightly woven, pithy tannins, very juicy on the back end, with minimal lingering tannins.

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## WINE SPECTATOR

**92 pts**

A spicy style, with accents of vanilla and toast embracing cherry, strawberry and floral flavors.

Rich, yet with a firm structure underneath and a long finish marked by fruit, herbs and mineral. This should evolve nicely. Best from 2024 through 2038. 270 cases made, 200 cases imported.

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## TONY WOOD

**95+ pts**

Bright ruby red in colour. Delicate aromatic profile. Dark fruits, wild meadow flowers, subtle spice nuances. Stunning textural richness. Envelopes the palate. Perfect symmetry. Extremely long and flavourful.

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## DOCTORWINE – DANIELE CERNILLI

**FACCINO**

Naso floreale: viola mammola, marasca e note speziate. Palato scorrevole, frutto ben definito, acidità e tannini bilanciati. Chiude con richiami alla mora selvatica.

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## WINES CRITIC - RAFFAELE VECCHIONE

**93 pts**

Melograno, passion fruit e ciliegie poco mature sono i sentori principali di questo vino. In sottofondo, incenso, maggiorana arsa ed elicriso. All'assaggio, corpo medio-pieno, tannini rotondi ed un finale di piacevole persistenza. Meglio dal 2023.

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## GAMBERO ROSSO

*Chianti Classico Collection 2020*

Cambiano le annate, non il risultato. Il corso più recente di Riecine ci convince sempre più e il nuovo Chianti Classico '18 lo conferma. Vino magnifico per grazia e piacevolezza, gioioso nel frutto e fine nella trama del sorso.

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**WINE ENTHUSIAST - Danielle Callegari**

**93 pts**

The nose of cloves and citrus is warm and festive, with macerated cherries and spices that also flood the palate, where dark chocolate and polished tannins add yet more richness, balanced with an acidic bite

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