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**RETROMARCIA CHIANTI CLASSICO 2009:
a cut above superior (17.0 pts)**

Drink 2011-2015. Frazione of Panzano. 95% Sangiovese, 5% Merlot. Cask sample. Oenologist Michael Schmelzer. The second wine of Monte Bernardi. Deep ruby. Very fine, sweet spicy nose. Energetic, succulent and lively with very good tannic structure. Sweet fruit aromas on the finish. Ends dry. Really appetising. Now with 2% Canaiolo and 3% Merlot, so the blend seems to be tending more and more towards indigenous varieties only. (WS)