

RAEBURN FINE WINES

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Monte Bernardi

This is an up and coming estate making some of the best wine in Chianti and the whole of Tuscany. These wines have remarkable intensity and structure from old vines and very low yields.

This is a dedicated estate worth following for its commitment to low yields, late-picking and, in general, the highest possible quality. It does this without losing sight of the uniquely Italian character of its wines and also the character of its wonderful "terroir".

"Sa'etta" is Monte Bernardi's top wine from a single vineyard which was bottled separately for the first time in the **1994 vintage**: it needs lots of bottle age and is possibly the best Chianti wine around!

The **1992 Classico** is delicious now and one of the top wines of this difficult vintage. The 1993 is rich and concentrated with great finesse and balance.

The **1994 wines (both)**, from a very fine Chianti vintage, need time and are a bit closed at the moment: these have great structure and depth.

The **1995 wines** are stunning, full of ripe exuberant fruit and ripe, silky tannins. These should be kept at least 3/4 years but will develop further if kept longer.

The **1996 wines** are not as obviously fruity as the 1995's but show lovely balance and elegance. These will keep as long as the 1995 wines but show, already, great complexity and harmony.