



## Italian Wine 2009 Vintage Release!

Wine Culture is proud to present to you the **Italian Wine 2009** Selection!

A selection of Italian wines offering at an unprecedented price is now available!

\*All bottles in 750ml unless otherwise stated.

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## RED WINE

Wine	Vintage	Rating (Robert Parker)	Price (inclusive 7% GST)
Masseto	2009	94+	\$744
<i>Maturity : 2014 - 2029</i>			
<p>The 2009 Masseto bursts from the glass with dark red berries, blackberries, flowers, licorice and tar. It shows lovely up-front juiciness and expressive inner perfume in a surprisingly accessible style for this wine. Like the Ornellaia, the 2009 Masseto has quite a bit of freshness, although it, too, is medium-bodied in structure. In this vintage the Ornellaia team was especially selective and only used part of the three vineyards that typically go into Masseto. I have been fortunate to taste every vintage of Masseto, most more than once recently. Masseto has a great track record for aging, even in the smallest, least promising of vintages.</p>			

Wine	Vintage	Rating (Antonio Galloni)	Price (inclusive 7% GST)
Antinori Solaia	2009	96+	\$299
<p><i>Maturity : 2019 - 2029</i></p> <p>The 2009 Solaia is one of the clear standouts of the vintage. Freshly cut flowers, raspberries, spices, mint and licorice burst from the glass as this fabulous, viscerally thrilling wine shows off its pure class. Today the oak is a bit prominent, but that won't be an issue by the time the wine is ready to drink. In one of my blind tastings, the 2009 Solaia was flat-out great. There is no shortage of pedigree here. The 2009 has calmed down a little from its youth, when it was a much more exuberant wine, and has now begun to close down in bottle. Solaia is 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Sangiovese and 5% Cabernet Franc from a single parcel within the Antinori family's Tignanello vineyard.</p>			