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Antoniolo 2011 Gattinara

Gattinara, Piedmont

Red wine from Italy

Drinking window: 2018 - 2026

The 2011 Gattinara is surprisingly intense for an entry-level bottling. Dark, powerful and voluptuous - almost unnaturally so for the appellation - the 2011 exudes richness. Dark cherry, plum, smoke, tobacco and menthol are front and center in this super-expressive, inviting Gattinara from Antoniolo. Readers should expect a bold, racy style in 2011.

Antonio Galloni. Tasting date: August 2015

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Antoniolo

Antoniolo is one of the top names in Northern Piedmont. Sadly, 2011 appears to have been a very challenging vintage here. The entry-level Gattinara is solid, but the single-vineyard wines - the estate's flagships - are all marked by strident tannins. I tasted those wines twice, several months apart, hoping to see at least some improvement in bottle, but that never materialized.

Grape/Blend

Nebbiolo

Release price

\$37.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

1500

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