

The heat of the vintage seems to have filled out the 2003 Brunello di Montalcino very nicely. A sumptuous, beautiful wine, it offers layers of vibrant, ripe fruit intermingled with sweet toasted oak, revealing superb inner tension, poise and balance. The tannins are firm, but well-integrated. This wine shut down quickly in the glass but it was impressive both times I tasted it. Anticipated maturity: 2009-2018. In recent years I've often found Caparzo-s wines to be irregular so its nice to see this venerable estate come through with two outstanding Brunellos.

4) **Brunellogate:**

I am sure that all of you have already heard about the Brunello di Montalcino situation.

Here below I will point out what happened.

After some controls, local authorities have assumed that a few estates have blended their Brunello with other grapes also planted in the Montalcino County instead of making it just with 100% Sangiovese Grosso as per the Disciplinary di Produzione (wine law).

CAPARZO IS NOT INVOLVED !

Please find here below two links that will give you more details:

1. [Consorzio del Brunello di Montalcino](#) - Klik [hier](#) voor meer info
2. [New York Times](#) - Klik [hier](#) voor meer info