

2004 Tenuta Monteti Caburnio

A Proprietary Blend Dry Red Table wine from Maremma, Tuscany, Italy,

Review by WA # , #190 (Aug 2010) Rating: 90 Drink 2010 - 2012

Cost: \$16

The 2004 Caburnio is fairly forward and evolved (in a positive sense) in its dark red fruit, tobacco, licorice, chocolate, spices and dried flowers. This is a beautiful wine for readers who want to enjoy a Tuscan red with a little bit of bottle age. The balance here is impeccable. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2012. Tenuta Monteti is doing some very interesting things in Maremma. The entry-level Caburnio, a French oak-aged blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Alicante Bouschet, expresses plenty of the signature house style. Various American importers, including: K & L Wine Merchants, Redwood City, CA; tel. (650) 364-8544; The Wine Company, St. Paul, MN; tel. (651) 487-1212

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The 2005 Caburnio reveals a brighter shade of red fruit and higher-toned aromatics than the decidedly virile 2006. Red raspberries, flowers, minerals, scorched earth and spices emerge on a mid-weight frame. In keeping with the style of the vintage the tannins are a touch firm, but that is a relatively small critique for a wine at this price point. This, too, is another fabulous effort. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2013. Tenuta Monteti is doing some very interesting things in Maremma. The entry-level Caburnio, a French oak-aged blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Alicante Bouschet, expresses plenty of the signature house style. Various American importers, including: K & L Wine Merchants, Redwood City, CA; tel. (650) 364-8544; The Wine Company, St. Paul, MN; tel. (651) 487-1212

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The 2006 Caburnio is a big, boisterous wine that captures the essence of this important Tuscan vintage. Blackberries, grilled herbs, spices, menthol and cassis are some of the nuances that come together in the glass with tons of Maremma character. This is a fabulous wine for the money. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2016. Tenuta Monteti is doing some very interesting things in Maremma. The entry-level Caburnio, a French oak-aged blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Alicante Bouschet, expresses plenty of the signature house style. Various American importers, including: K & L Wine Merchants, Redwood City, CA; tel. (650) 364-8544; The Wine Company, St. Paul, MN; tel. (651) 487-1212