

Virna

as reviewed by James Suckling

Virna Barolo Cannubi 2016

10 Sep, 2019 – So beautifully perfumed and complex with plums, cedar and dried flowers. Full body, round and chewy tannins with intensity and richness. Needs at least two or three years to come together. Best after 2022. (96 points)

Virna Barolo Sarmassa 2016

10 Sep, 2019 – This has a fascinating nose with ripe pomegranate, boysenberries, dried raspberries, tea leaves and dried spices. Full-bodied and dense, but the tannins are quite seamless and the acidity is agile and flowing throughout. Long and persistent on the finish. Drink from 2026. (94 points)

Virna Barbera d'Alba La 2016

20 Aug, 2019 – A beautiful barbera with subtle citrus, dried thyme and blackcurrants, as well as tar character. The pretty, balanced palate mirrors the nose, tracing an elegant core of bright fruit and firm tannins. Nothing is out of place. (91 points)

Virna Nebbiolo Langhe “il” 2016

15 Aug, 2019 – Dried boysenberries, cranberry pie and cedar all come to the surface. There's good bite to the tannins, and the medium-to full-bodied palate is muscular but elegant. (90 points)

Virna Barolo “Noi” 2015

11 Aug, 2019 – Aromas of cherries and plums with hints of flowers. Already precise on the nose. Medium to full body. Firm and silky with a brightness. First year I have tasted this and it's solid! Drink or hold. (93 points)

Virna Barolo Riserva 2013

8 Jan, 2019 – Aromas of cedar and dark chocolate permeate the attractive, spiced dried-cherry aromas. The palate has a rich fruit core and quite elegant yet powerful fruit drive. One of the standout 2013 Riservas. Drink or hold. (94 points)

Virna Barolo Cannubi 2015

7 Jan, 2019 – Aromas of blackberries, blueberries and citrus with some ground coffee. Full-bodied, round and chewy with polished tannins and an orange undertone to the aftertaste. Drink from 2022. (93 points)

Virna Barolo Sarmassa 2015

7 Jan, 2019 – A very solid young Barolo with tar, stone, aniseed and ripe-fruit character. Full-bodied, tight and integrated and a long, long finish. Shows precision and focus. Better in 2023. (94 points)

Virna Barolo del Comune di Barolo 2015

7 Jan, 2019 – Dried-berry and strawberry aromas with flowers and cedar. Medium-to full-bodied, tight and focused with polished tannins and a flavorful finish. Refined and delicious. Drink from 2021. (92 points)

