

Highly Rated 2006 Antinori Chianti Classico at Lowest Price in the Country

"I continue to be amazed at the high quality Antinori achieves..This is a fabulous set of new releases. Long-time Oenologist Renzo Cotarella could certainly have rested on his laurels; after all he is already one of Italy's most celebrated winemakers. Instead, Cotarella continues to improve quality in a meaningful way." – Antonio Galloni, the Wine Advocate



In a sea of traditional, earthy Chianti Classico, Marchese Antinori's Riserva surfaces as a progressive, new style of Chianti Classico. The Marchese Antinori bottling is produced exclusively from the finest, most highly selected grapes grown on the Tignanello, Peppoli and Badia a Passignano estates in Chianti Classico. Along with being 90% Sangiovese, Antinori adds 10% Cabernet Sauvignon to give the wine some added richness and depth. Modern winemaking produces a more fruit-forward, multi-dimensional Chianti Classico, without the earthy, rustic characteristics of the more traditional Old World style.

Despite it being priced at the higher end of the Chianti spectrum, the previous two vintages (2005 and 2004) were the best-selling Italian wines in our entire store. And by the looks of things, the quality bar has been raised for the 2006 vintage as this wine seems to get stronger and stronger each year. Of course, we already know that the 2006 vintage in Tuscany is highly touted for its superior quality. And our tastings confirm that the quality is in the bottle as this is the best version we've tried in many years.

Given its loyal following, and the press to back it up, we've decided once again to load up. By going through a direct source, we were able to negotiate special pricing on our bulk purchase. And when we say special pricing, we mean *really* special! Essentially, we are able to sell it at 30% below normal retail, making our price the lowest in the country.

2006 Marchese Antinori Chianti Classico Riserva - email special \$24.99 (\$35 list)

92 points Wine Advocate: "The 2006 Chianti Classico Riserva Marchesi Antinori positively sparkles on the palate. Dark wild cherries, minerals, graphite, violets and spices are just some of the nuances that flow effortlessly from this beautiful, chiseled Riserva Marchesi Antinori. The French oak contributes an additional measure of volume and amplexness I doubt the wine truly needs given the superlative quality of the fruit in 2006. A rich fabric of minerals reappears to frame the intense, deeply satisfying finish. The Riserva Marchesi Antinori is a wine I grew up with when I was just starting to learn about Italian wine. The 2006 is one of the finest vintages I can remember tasting."

Cheers,

Woodland Hills Wine Co.

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