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Tolaini

It has taken a few years, but Tolaini seems to be hitting its stride with a set of beautiful and differentiated wines. Initially Tolaini focused on international varieties, but Sangiovese simply can't be denied, especially in a place as privileged as Castelnuovo Berardenga. As always, the Tolaini wines lean towards the rich, full-bodied end of the spectrum.

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| Vintage | (Hover for Commentary) Producer | Name | Tasting Notes | Score | Drinking Window | Release Price | Review Date |
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| 2010 | Tolaini | Chianti Classico Riserva Montebello Vigneto N. 7 | The 2010 Chianti Classico Riserva Montebello Vigneto N.7 is one of the most harmonious wines I have ever tasted from Tolaini. Even in this cool year, the warmth and pure richness of Castelnuovo Berardenga comes through in spades. Expansive layers of dark red fruit and deeply pitched spices caress the palate all the way through to the finish. This is a superb showing from Tolaini. | 92 | 2014 - 2025 | \$40.00 | Aug 2013 |
| 2009 | Tolaini | Valdisanti | Tolaini's 2009 Valdisanti is a Sangiovese/Cabernet Sauvignon/Cabernet Franc blend. Rich and voluptuous, the 2009 captures the very best qualities of the year in its resonant, expansive personality. Smoke, tobacco, licorice and melted road tar add an element of darkness on the finish. | 93+ | 2015 - 2027 | \$50.00 | Aug 2013 |
| 2009 | Tolaini | Al Passo | The 2009 Al Passo, a Sangiovese/Merlot blend, is absolutely delicious. The aromatic and flavor profile is very much Sangiovese, but the mid-palate juiciness is pure Merlot. If that sounds appealing, well, it is. All the elements are in place for the 2009 to deliver terrific drinking over the next decade or so. Hints of new leather, tobacco and sweet spices linger on the close. | 92 | 2013 - 2021 | \$30.00 | Aug 2013 |

