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1990 Rocca di Castagnoli Chianti Classico Riserva Poggio A Frati

The muscular, full-bodied, tannic 1990 Chianti Classico Riserva Poggio a Frati reveals a dark garnet color with an amber edge, followed by sweet, earth, charcoal, gamey, cherry-like fruit interspersed with a whiff of cedar and tobacco. There is significant richness and extract in this old style, somewhat tannic, dense, medium to full-bodied wine, which could turn out to be outstanding if the tannin melts away and the fruit holds. It is a concentrated, traditionally made, serious, muscular, powerhouse Chianti designed to last 10-15+ years. Importer: Vias Imports, New York, NY; tel. (212) 629-0200

- Robert M. Parker, Jr. (August, 1997)

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