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Rocca di Castagnoli 2012 Merlot Le Pratola

Gaiole in Chianti (Chianti Classico, Siena), Tuscany

Red wine from Italy

Drinking window: 2016 - 2021

The 2012 Merlot Le Pratola is a rare wine from Rocca di Castagnoli that, while solid, is a bit lacking in excitement. Intensely floral notes open into a core of sweet dark cherry, lavender and sage. The wine's expressive aromatics add an exotic flair, but the Pratola doesn't quite reach the level of the best wines in this lineup.

Antonio Galloni. Tasting date: July 2016

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