

## 2015 Ornellaia

Ornellaia, Tuscany, Italy

### Product details

<b>Vintage:</b>	2015	<b>Drinking:</b>	2022 2032
<b>Producer:</b>	Ornellaia	<b>Alcohol:</b>	
<b>Region:</b>	Tuscany	<b>Variety:</b>	Merlot
<b>Country:</b>	Italy		

### Tasting notes

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**Release price valid until 30th April 2018, when the price will rise to £787, subject to availability.**

Like people of great 'Carisma' (Charisma), wines of great vintages know how to impose themselves naturally, without force, their balance allowing them to shine without having to flaunt themselves. The 2015 vintage perfectly expresses this behavioural trait. Born during a particularly balanced harvest season, 2015 is certainly one of the great Ornellaia vintages. The usual intense colour indicates a wine of great texture and intensity, followed by a fruity scent that is ripe and fresh at the same time, emphasized by classic balsamic and spicy hints. On the palate it is rich, dense, and full-bodied, with an exceptional tannic texture, dense and velvety, of great refinement, that extends throughout the mouth. The long finish concludes with a feeling of firmness and finely spiced hints.

**Axel Heinz, Winemaker**

### Reviews

The blackberry and blueberry aromas with fresh sage and bay-leaf character are impressive. Stone, graphite and mineral undertones. Full body and silky and refined tannins. Dusty. Elegance and polish. Shows greatness in strength and refinement. A dialed-in, dialed-back Ornellaia. Drink in 2022.

**98 points, James Suckling**

The 2015 Ornellaia is a dream wine with magnificent balance. All the elements are in the right place. In most vintages, Ornellaia needs time to fully come together, but the 2015 is just impeccable, even in the early going. The warm vintage notwithstanding, winemaker Axel Heinz crafted and Ornellaia is more about finesse and power. The potent, bruising tannins Ornellaia can show as a young wine are nowhere to be found. Bright raspberry jam, mint, white flowers and pomegranate are some of the many notes that punctuate the finish in a memorable Ornellaia that will go down among the great vintages produced at this reference-point estate.

**98 Points, Antonio Galloni**



## About the producer

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One of the most acclaimed Italian wineries, Tenuta dell'Ornellaia is famous for crafting some of the most sought-after wines from Bolgheri. Part of the original "Super-Tuscans", the eponymous wine, Ornellaia, is an ode to the Mediterranean character of this stretch of the Tuscan coast. Far from resting on their laurels, the winemaking team, headed by maverick estate director Axel Heinz, possess a full range of vibrant, long-lived, elegant wines that speak loudly about the potential of their unique terroir. Their range includes red wines, whites, dessert, grappa and even olive oil – all crafted with the same meticulous attention.