



OLIVINI MERLOT “NOTTE A SAN MARTINO” (ITALY)



WINERY: Olivini

LOCATION: north-central Italy, Lombardia

WHAT: dry red from 100% Merlot grapes (air dried)

STYLE: rich, ripe fruit, thick texture, supple mouthfeel

GEEK SPEAK: just south of Lake Garda, this unusually warm microclimate allows good ripeness, and after harvest, about 30 days of drying on racks to raisin and concentrate the grapes. French oak barrel aging.

FOOD: weighty and deep with dark berry fruit, this is a great solo-sipper, but also suited to braised, hearty meat dishes.