

Critical Acclaim

Elvio Cagno 2010 Ravera Barolo DOCG

"The highly regarded Piedmontese estate Elvio Cagno produces a number of different Barolos, including this full-bodied and dense – yet rather austere – Ravera Cru from the classic 2010 vintage. A terrific gift for a Barolo lover who has the patience to wait a few years before drinking."
–Lettie Teague, "Five no-Fail bottles to put a bow on," *The Wall Street Journal*, December 19, 2014

94 points

"The cherry and raspberry flavors mingle with earth, licorice, and tar notes. This red cuts a broad swath, presenting a dense texture and muscular tannins, finishing fresh and delineated, with accents of leather and black tea."
–Bruce Sanderson, *Wine Spectator*, October 8, 2014

95 points, Cellar Selection

"Cagno helped put the Novello village on the Barolo-lovers' map. This wine opens with fragrances of red and black berries, rose, baking spice and leather. The vibrant palate delivers wild cherry, raspberry, mint, sage, thyme and cocoa accents alongside bracing tannins and nervous acidity."
–Kerin O'Keefe, *Wine Enthusiast*, October 2014

93 points

"This is really aromatic, with fresh strawberries and flowers. Full body with ultra-fine tannins and a prolonged finish. It is so deep and thoughtful on the palate. Gorgeous."
–James Suckling, *jamesuckling.com*, September 15, 2014

93 points

"The 2010 Barolo Ravera shows extreme elegance and precision with dark fruit, spice, dried tobacco, hazelnut and black truffle. The Ravera cru makes rich and powerful wines and Elvio Cagno has masterfully captured these territorial qualities."
–Monica Lerner, *The Wine Advocate*, July 2014

Outstanding

"Beautiful young garnet; aromas of orange peel, cedar, dried cherry and truffle. Medium-full with excellent concentration; generous mid-palate. Very good acidity; rich, refined tannins and subtle wood notes, which is typical for this producer. Valter Fissore makes elegant, graceful Barolo, not powerhouse versions, so this is never the biggest Barolo in any given year, but it is one of the most harmonious, displaying great finesse. He says that the Barolos from Ravera are 'a little like Pinot Noir.'"
–Tom Hyland, *Guide to Italian Wines*, June 2014

92 - 95 points

"A linear red, dense yet elegant, with a beam of sweet fruit and hints of medicinal herbs."
–Bruce Sanderson, "Bruce Sanderson's Top 2010 Barolo from Barrel," *Wine Spectator*, April 2014

17.5+ points

"Novello. Palish ruby. Backward, brooding richness. Cherry and dried fruit. Lots of dept here. It is all a little finer and more precise than the Cascina Nuova. Great balance and fine, persistent tannins."
–Walter Speller, *JancisRobinson.com*, March 27, 2014

95 points

"Cagno's 2010 Barolo Ravera emerges from some of the oldest vineyards in the property. Dark red cherry, plum, menthol, licorice and smoke meld together in a sumptuous wine that impresses for its breadth and volume. At the same time, there is plenty of Ravera minerality supporting the fruit. The Ravera doesn't have the early appeal of the Cascina Nuova, rather it is a wine for the cellar. Hints of savory herb and floral notes with a faint suggestion of Chinato wrap around the finish."

–Antonio Galloni, *vinous*, January 9, 2014