



Stephen Tanzer's

International Wine Cellar



TENUTA
DELL'ORNELLAIA
MASSETO 2004

95 POINTS

“Deep bright ruby with purple highlights. Extravagantly rich, multidimensional aromas of raspberry, ripe black plum and violet are complicated by black truffle, espresso, milk chocolate and mineral, with high-quality vanillin oak remaining in the background. Wonderfully silky on the palate but with immense power, this is real iron-fist-in-a-velvet-glove. The imposingly rich fruit avoids coming across as overripe, and the notes of leather, tobacco, tamarind and mocha linger on the palate for minutes. A compellingly suave and smooth wine whose extremely fine-grained tannins and hint of slightly sharp acidity bring the wine's rich, complex flavors into full focus. This is probably the best pair of wines made at Ornellaia since 2001-a distinct step ahead of the 2003s and 2002s made here-and must purchases for collectors with deep pockets.”

-Ian D'Agata, August 2007