



2017 Cormano Merlot Ticino Caronte First Reserve

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| Rating | Release Price | Drink Date | Producer: |
| 90+ | NA | 2021 - 2035 | |
| Reviewed by | Issue Date | Source | From: Switzerland , Ticino |
| Stephan Reinhardt | 28th Feb 2020 | Issue 247 End of February 2020, The Wine Advocate | Color: Red |
| | | | Type: Table |
| | | | Sweetness: Dry |
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| | | | Variety: Proprietary Blend Cabernet Sauvignon , Merlot , Petit Verdot |

Blending 88% Merlot with 10% Cabernet Sauvignon and 2% Petit Verdot from the Mendrisotto and aged for 20 months in 100% new French barriques, the 2017 Merlot Ticino Caronte First Reserve displays a fresh cherry color. Pure, fresh and toasty on the nose, with dark berry and cherry aromas as well as oak notes, this is a silky-textured, initially animal or leathery, then charmingly refined and fruity red with ripe tannins, good freshness and an attractive reduction. The 2017 is still tight yet delicate and needs some hours of aeration to open up. The finish is tart and dry but promising. 13.5% alcohol. Tasted in February 2020.