

**90 POINTS** 

## **ILLUMINATI** Zanna Riserva 2017

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Darkly alluring with a purplish hue, the 2017 Montepulciano d'Abruzzo Riserva Zanna comes to life slowly in the glass, as a mix of blackberries and currants are complemented by nuances of mint, chalk dust and exotic spice. This washes across the palate like pure silk with mineral-tinged red berries and mentholated herbal tones toward the close. A coating of fine-grained tannins saturate, creating a youthfully structured feel, aided by a bump of residual acidity that maintains balance. The 2017 Zanna may not have the depth of the best years, yet it is a good effort from this torrid vintage. Give it another year of cellaring for the best effect.



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