

## **CELLAR SELECTION**

## ILLUMINATI MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO COLLINE TERAMANE DOCG RISERVA PIELUNI 2015

"Made from grapes harvested in late October (some of the last in the season), this rich red sees two years in 50% new French barriques. The result is a densely packed pour replete with brandy-soaked blackberries and dark cherry preserves, studded with heady accents of thyme, sage, menthol and sunbaked clay. Structured, bold tannins are matched by piercing acidity, creating a solid frame for all the voluptuous fruit to live. There's ample length to the blackberry jam flavor on the finish, indicating this will hold well in the cellar. Drink 2023–2030." - Alexander Peartree (Nov 2021)

