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**DOLCETTO/BARBERA:
PIEDMONT'S
DYNAMIC DUO**

Our panel tasted almost 150 Barberas and Dolcettos and found 25 that rated in the 90s, as well as 23 Best Buys.

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BARBERA

92 Coppo 1996 Pomorosso Barbera d'Alba; \$35. Extracted, with deep black-cherry fruit and toasty oak beautifully integrated on the nose and on the palate. Very suave mouth-feel—full and velvety. Almost perfect balance, with a long ripe finish. Pricy, but you get your money's worth.

88 Coppo 1997 Camp du Rouss Barbera d'Asti; \$18. Dark, deep, and chewy, with pruny aromas, coffee notes, and a toasted edge to the wine. Concentrated, with black-fruit character from top to bottom. Just a nip of tart cherry and oak combine in the finish to yield mint.