



ALCOHOL: 14%

BLEND:

Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Syrah

#### BOLGHERI DOC

# 2017 Guado al Tasso Il Bruciato

## VINTAGE NOTES

- The 2017 vintage was characterized by a mild, dry winter and was distinguished by an early bud break in the vineyard.
- The spring and summer months were somewhat hot, leading to an early harvest and a reduced yield, which resulted in exceptionally high-quality fruit.
- Harvesting operations began end of August and continued through end of September.

#### VINEYARD NOTES

- The Guado al Tasso estate is located approximately 50 miles southwest of Florence, near the medieval town of Bolgheri.
- The 2,500-acre estate stretches up from the shore of the Tyrrhenian Sea to the hills, in the heart of Bolgheri amphitheater.
- The vineyard is at an elevation between 145 and 190 feet above sea level on stony, slightly calcareous soils.

#### HISTORY NOTES

- The name Il Bruciato means "burned."
- This wine is named after a wooded area on the Guado al Tasso estate that was destroyed by a famous fire in the early 1900s.
- Guado al Tasso, meaning "Badger's Ford," takes its name from a common sight at Tenuta Guado al Tasso, Bolgheri, where it is produced.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

- The grapes were picked by hand and immediately taken to the cellar for scrupulous handselection prior to destemming and crushing.
- Fermentation and maceration took place in stainless steel tanks. Malolactic fermentation took place in oak barrels and stainless steel tanks.
- The wine was barrel aged for seven months, followed by an additional four months in bottle before release.

## TASTING NOTES

An intense ruby red in color, this Red Wine offers aromas of ripe red berry fruit in addition to sensations of sweet spices and light, fresh mint. The palate is well balanced, persistent and very enjoyable in its fruity finish and aftertaste.