



ALCOHOL: 14%

BLEND:

Primarily Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Syrah with a small percentage of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot .

BOLGHERI DOC

2019 Guado al Tasso Il Bruciato

VINTAGE NOTES

- The 2019 growing season was cool in April and May then hot, dry conditions throughout late July. The slight delay in the vines' initial growth evened out as summer began.
- A rise in temperatures caused the vines to produce lighter, loosely packed clusters, especially in the late ripening varieties where fruit set wasn't yet fully completed.
- The months of August and September brought steady sunny weather that allowed grapes to progress to full ripeness in optimal conditions.
- Harvest began with Merlot, Syrah, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot in September and were completed with Cabernet Sauvignon at the beginning of October.

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 hand-selection 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

Il Bruciato 2019 is intensely ruby red in color. Its nose expresses notes of small dark fruit, sweet spices and tobacco. Its well-structured palate is harmonious and very pleasant to drink. Fresh fruity notes dominate the finish giving the wine a lush, sweet character.