POGGIO AL TESORO
BOLGHERI · ITALIA

# Mediterra 2009

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**grape varieties**
Syrah 40%, Merlot 30%, Cabernet Sauvignon 30%

**vineyard location**
Le Sondraie vineyard and Valle di Cerbaia vineyard

**altitude**
25 m a.s.l. (82 ft)

**exposure**
West

**soil characteristic**
Clay, well drained sandy silt, with high concentrations of magnesium and iron

**training system**
Spurred cordon and guyot

**planting dates**
16 years

**density**
7,936 vines/Ha (3,211 vines/ac)

**harvest**
Began on 5st September with Merlot, followed by Syrah and ending with Cabernet Sauvignon on 25st September

**vinification**
De-stemming and then soft pressing of the grapes

**fermentation**
In temperature controlled stainless steel tanks

**fermentation temperature**
26/28°C (79/82°F)

**length of fermentation**
15 days

**malolactic fermentation**
In temperature controlled stainless steel tanks

**ageing**
Partly in steel and 8 months in second passage French oak barriques

| alcohol content | total acidity | residual sugars | dry extract | pH |
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| 14,30% vol | 5,70 g/l | 1,6 g/l | 32,75 g/l | 3,58 |

The winter of 2008/2009 was harsh and rainy. The rainfall accumulation meant there were sufficient water reserves for the summer. A hot spring without excessive temperature changes ensured uniform and regular budding, an important foundation for the entire vegetative phase. A very hot summer with little rainfall allowed the grapes to ripen in perfect health and quality.

A blend characterized by a high percentage of Syrah, a strong and clear wine, with intense olfactory sensations of red fruit and spices, a soft and enveloping taste that moves, in a dynamic and lively way, between notes of red berries and sweet toasted notes, supported by a pleasant acidity that increases the drinkability.

An ideal pairing with various meat dishes, cold cuts and medium-matured cheeses, including Italian pecorino. It should be enjoyed slightly chilled, with seafood dishes such as mullet in tomato sauce, poached fish and Livorno-style salt cod.

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