POGGIO AL TESORO
BOLGHERI · ITALIA

Mediterra 2019

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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)

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
14% Vol	5,0 g/l	1,5 g/l	29,4 g/l	3.62

Autumn and the beginning of winter were marked by mild temperatures. The cold was never too harsh and only manifested between January and February. Rainfall, optimal in the springtime, was joined by sharp drops in temperature until the end of May, putting a strain on the vegetative recovery. The use of protective and stimulating elements to give the vine more energy, such as algae and natural substances, allowed us to confront this delicate period in the best possible way. Once the climatic conditions stabilised, flowering, fruit set, and veraison were satisfactory overall and well-balanced. They were helped by light rainfall, which arrived just at the moment when the vines began to show some water scarcity. August was characterised by cool nights and good daytime ventilation with some light rain showers. Temperatures rose again once the harvest began, but only for a few days: September gave us dry, breezy, and mild days, allowing us to consider 2019 one of the best vintages of the last 15 years.

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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