

Antinori

Antinori Guado al Tasso Il Bruciato is a vibrant and approachable red wine from the prestigious Bolgheri DOC in Tuscany. It encapsulates the elegance and expressiveness of the Guado al Tasso estate, offering a modern take on this renowned terroir.



Alcohol :14,00 %

Composition: 60% Cabernet
Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, 10% Syrah

Guado al Tasso Il Bruciato 2023

Tuscany, Italy

Region and Vineyards

The **Guado al Tasso estate**, home to **Il Bruciato 2022**, is located within the prestigious **Bolgheri DOC**, a celebrated appellation on Tuscany's **Upper Maremma coastline**. Often referred to as the "**Bolgheri amphitheater**", this natural landscape is formed by rolling hills that encircle a broad plain stretching to the Tyrrhenian Sea. This configuration creates an ideal **microclimate** for viticulture, offering protection from harsh weather while benefiting from **consistent maritime breezes**. These breezes moderate summer heat, maintain steady humidity levels, and prevent frost during winter, fostering a balanced and extended ripening process.

The soils of Bolgheri are a rich mosaic of **limestone, clay, and sandy compositions**, contributing to the complexity and depth of the wines. The 2022 growing season saw a **warm and dry climate**, typical of the region, but benefited from well-timed rains in **August**, which helped sustain vine health and preserve natural acidity. The vineyard's dedication to meticulous practices, such as precise pruning and selective harvesting, ensures the highest quality fruit is brought to the winery for every vintage.

Winemaking

Il Bruciato 2022 begins with a careful selection of grapes primarily comprising **Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Syrah**, with smaller portions of **Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot**. The vinification process starts with **destemming and gentle crushing**, followed by fermentation in **temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks**. Fermentation temperatures are carefully managed to maintain aromatic purity, particularly for the **Merlot and Syrah**, whose musts are fermented at slightly cooler conditions to preserve their fruity and floral notes.

Post-fermentation, **malolactic fermentation** takes place, with a portion completed in stainless steel tanks and the rest in **French oak barriques**, where the wine develops additional depth and texture. The final blend is aged further in **oak barriques**, balancing the fruit's natural vibrancy with the structure and subtle complexity imparted by the oak. The result is a harmonious wine that captures the essence of Bolgheri's terroir while delivering a modern, approachable style.



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Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Intense ruby red.
- **Aroma:** Aromatic profile includes ripe red fruits like cherries and raspberries, complemented by sweet spices, mint, and light tobacco undertones.
- **Palate:** Full-bodied with excellent structure, showcasing vibrant fruit flavors, well-integrated tannins, and a lingering, pleasantly fruity finish.

Did You Know?

Il Bruciato was first created in **2002** during one of the estate's most challenging vintages, as a way to highlight the Bolgheri terroir and make it accessible to a wider audience. It has since become a hallmark of approachable and high-quality Bolgheri wines.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Grilled Florentine steak:** The wine's structure and ripe fruit complement the savory richness of the steak.
- **Wild boar ragu with pappardelle:** Its spiced and fruity notes enhance the earthy flavors of the dish.
- **Mature pecorino cheese:** The wine's tannins balance the sharpness and saltiness of the cheese.
- **Herb-crusted lamb chops:** The wine's mint and tobacco hints harmonize with the herbaceous crust.



Jeb Dunnuck (JD) : 93 Points (2023)

The 2023 Il Bruciato boasts a dark purple hue and exudes baked aromas of plum, pie spice, balsamic, and rich earth. Full-bodied, the palate is generous and rounded, with supple ripe tannins providing a fleshy sensation through the finish. I would prefer to enjoy this while it retains some freshness over the near term. This vintage is a blend of 37% Cabernet Sauvignon, 28% Cabernet Franc, 19% Merlot, and the remainder Syrah and Petit Verdot.



Wine Enthusiast (WE) : 92 Points (2023)

Dark berries are first on the nose, followed by savory undertones and a stony saltiness. Berries carry over to the palate, while undertones shift sweeter and more citrusy, before a spicy nuttiness emerges on the finish. Balanced tannins and acidity provide warmth.



Robert Parker (RP) : 91 Points (2023)

The Marchesi Antinori 2023 Bolgheri Rosso Guado al Tasso Il Bruciato is an easy blend of Merlot, Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. The 2023 vintage reveals a more powerful and riper character compared to 2022. Baked flavors do come through in this latest vintage with prune and cooked plum. But you also get added sweetness from the barrel aging that imparts dustings of cinnamon and nutmeg. The tannins are soft and accessible.

