

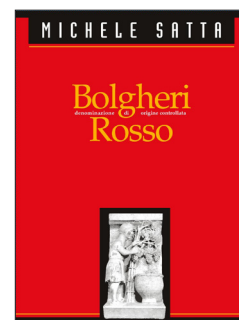


MICHELE  
**SATTA**  
BOLGHERI  
TUSCANY



Michele Satta founded his winery in Tuscany's Bolgheri region in 1982, rapidly earning the respect of his peers. He gained considerable renown as a viticulturist, even consulting for Ornellaia in the early 1990s during which he planted many of that property's vineyards. Today Michele is an expert on Bolgheri's great terroirs, and we can easily see his knowledge and experience in these wines.

Although father to six children, Michele is uncomplicated, a sincere and humble man with perhaps the most basic of priorities in this historic wine region: family and vine. And while he is clearly a traditionalist, Michele is also distinctly non-conformist, and his deferential character, combined with a deep passion for perfection, manifests as a rare balance among the soils and vines and eventual wines, with exhaustive attention lavished at every stage in the cellar. These dynamic, well-bred Bolgheri wines passionately communicate the unique character and quality of this man and his terroir.



**COSTA DI GIULIA BIANCO** IGT

Seeking a richer white from these soils of clay, sand and gravel, Michele planted Sauvignon in 1995. Originally all **Vermentino**, Costa di Giulia now includes 35% **Sauvignon**. Great care is given the vines during fruit maturation—the small producers' greatest advantage; Guyot-trained vines; green harvest; 100% stainless fermentation.

**BOLGHERI ROSSO** DOC

Harvested from a medium-density vineyard (6,200 v/ha) with southwest exposure. Soils are a mixture of clay and sand with small amounts of lime. Fermented with indigenous yeasts in stainless with a 3-week maceration, and then aged 12 months in barrique. 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Sangiovese, 20% Merlot, 10%, Syrah, 10% Teroldego.

*Vinous: 91 Points* "The 2014 Bolgheri Rosso is terrific. One of the reasons? Satta will bottle none of his top selections in 2014. Round, supple and silky, the 2014 exudes class. Sweet spice, leather and dark stone fruits all meld together as this translucent, super-polished Bolgheri opens up."

**PIASTRAIA** Bolgheri Rosso DOC

Outstanding French-influenced Bolgheri blend of Merlot, Cabernet, Syrah, and Sangiovese. Harvested at optimal maturity, fermented by variety, combined in equal amounts, and aged 12 months in barrique (1/3 new); unfiltered. Thrilling and powerful, well-structured, elegant, awesomely dense, full and round.

*Vinous: 93 Points* "The highlight among these new releases, the 2012 Bolgheri Piastraia wraps around the palate with lovely depth and density. Creamy and expansive in style, the 2012 captures the radiance of the year. Dark raspberries, spices, new leather and mocha flesh out on the open-knit, inviting finish."

**CAVALIERE** IGT

Sangiovese destemmed and fermented in open oak barrels; 20-day maceration with daily punchdowns; aged 12 months in 225L barrique and bottled unfiltered. Refined nose, sensuous and rich on the palate.

*Wine Enthusiast: 95 Points* "Blue flowers, wild berries, leather, dried herb and tilled soil are just some of the aromas you'll find on this stunning wine, along with a balsamic note. Made entirely with Sangiovese, the smooth, structured palate delivers layers of black cherries, crushed raspberries, white pepper, clove, dried mint and sage inside a framework of velvety tannins. A tobacco note tops off the lingering finish."

**I CASTAGNI** Bolgheri Rosso Superiore DOC

Parker's *WA: 92 Points* "The 2007 Bolgheri Superiore I Castagni is a pretty wine made in an exotic, super-ripe style loaded with fruit. Silky tannins frame expressive aromatics and dense, layered fruit. ... I Castagni is 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Syrah and 10% Teroldego. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2022."

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