



MONTCALM
WINE IMPORTERS, LTD



WINERY	Tenute Guicciardini Strozzi
WINE	Bolgheri Rosso DOC 'Ocra'
REGION	Toscana
VARIETAL	40% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Cabernet Franc
LOCATION OF VINEYARDS	Le Pavoniere Estate near Livorno
ALTITUDE	45-65 meters above sea level
TYPE OF PLANTING	Traditional
SOIL	Various compositions
TYPE OF CULTIVATION	Spurred cordon
AGING	Aged for 12 months in French oak barriques (50% new and 50% used).
ALCOHOL CONTENT	14%
TOTAL PRODUCTION	8,000 bottles
OENOLOGIST	Franco Bernabei
NOTES	The estate of Le Pavoniere in Bolgheri was acquired in 1999. It borders the famous 'Bolgherese' road along which all of the famous vineyards are located. It covers approximately 20 hectares and it is planted to Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Syrah.

TASTING NOTES

'Ocra', a word of Etruscan origin meaning 'blood of the earth', is the perfect nickname for this classic Bordeaux-style blend born from the vineyards in Bolgheri. Deep ruby red with an intense bouquet of small black fruits with a slight spiciness of leather and tobacco. Full bodied with smooth, silky tannins that lead to an elegant finish. Bolgheri Ocra is the perfect combination of complexity and easy drinking which make it the perfect partner for variety of dishes: hearty first courses, meat dishes such as roasted pork, game or a juicy steak Florentine.

ABOUT THE WINERY

The Strozzi Guicciardini families have influenced the history of Italy and Europe. Francesco Guicciardini, for whom Machiavelli started his political career as secretary, was a political figure, philosopher and historian. The Strozzi were powerful bankers, heads of State and mercenary commanders, and direct rivals of the Medici. In the 70's, the current owner Prince Girolamo Strozzi started selling the wine around the world, a business he still runs with his wife and his two daughters, Princesses Natalia and Irina. The Villa Cusona estate in San Gimignano, has been in existence since 994 and wine was first produced there in the 1200s. In 1998 the wine production extended with new properties acquired in the Maremma area (Bolgheri and Scansano) and Pantelleria.

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