



## **2019 TENUTA BELGUARDO** MAREMMA TOSCANA ROSSO RISERVA DOC

Established in 1435, the Mazzei family is one of Tuscany's oldest wine dynasties and they have been cultivating vineyards and crafting fine wine for over 600 years, originally in Chianti Classico and now in Maremma, Sicily and Treviso as well. Leading the portfolio today are the Marchesi Mazzei, brothers Francesco and Filippo, as well as Filippo's son Giovanni, the 25th generation. All the estates are farmed with a commitment to reducing environmental impact and fostering sustainability.

The Mazzei family purchased the land that became Belguardo in the mid-90's after an extensive search for a property that provided the best expression for international and indigenous grape varieties. The estate's wines quickly gained global recognition for their quality and established the outstanding potential of the Maremma region.

The estate's flagship wine, Tenuta Belguardo, is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, and is a reference point for Maremma Toscana DOC. Powerful but refined, this wine has garnered important accolades by experts in Italy and abroad.

## **VINTAGE NOTES**

The vintage started gently with a mild winter but changed dramatically in May with significant rain, which slowed grape development. Careful vineyard management kept vines healthy during a very hot summer and large diurnal swings during harvest allowed grapes to reach full maturity, and ultimately delivered an outstanding vintage.

## **TECHNICAL DETAILS**

Appellation: Maremma Toscana Rosso Riserva DOC

Composition: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Cabernet Franc

Vineyards: Estate plots between Grosseto and Montiano, next to the Tyrrhenian Sea

Elevation: 230-426 feet (70-130 m)

Soil: Primarily fine gravel of sandstone and limestone-clay Alberese

Maturation: 18 months in 225L French oak barrels (70% new); 4 months in concrete tanks

for finissage

Alcohol: 13.6% Pack: 6/750ML

## TASTING NOTES

Balancing richness and freshness, this wine delivers dark fruit and seductive spices with a palate that lingers. Enjoy with cheese and cured meats, grilled or roasted proteins and richly spiced dishes.