



# Castello di Bolgheri

## 2021 | Varvara Bolgheri DOC



CASTELLO DI BOLGHERI  
— AZIENDA AGRICOLA —

*Nestled in the Etruscan Coast, Castello di Bolgheri boasts a rich viticultural history tied to the Counts della Gherardesca. Since the mid-nineties, Federico Zileri Dal Verme and his team have reinvigorated the estate, blending tradition with innovation to capture Bolgheri's unique terroir in their wines. To this day, the philosophy of Castello di Bolgheri remains unaltered - to create wines embodying the essence of Bolgheri's stunning terroir.*

*These wines strike a beautiful balance between tradition and innovation, creating a harmonious experience that echoes the spirit of this storied landscape. The 2021 Varvara is elegant, balanced, and textured, showcasing black currant, black cherry, licorice, rosemary, and iron notes, with refined tannins accentuating a persistent finish. 93 points, Wine Spectator.*

### Region & Classification

| **country** | Italy  
| **region** | Toscana  
| **sub-region** | Bolgheri  
| **classification** | DOC

### Wine Data

| **varietal(s)** | 60% Cabernet Sauvignon,  
20% Merlot, 17% Cabernet Franc, 3%  
Petit Verdot  
| **alcohol** | 14.5%  
| **pH** | 3.63  
| **acidity** | 5.36 g/L  
| **residual sugar** | 0.4 g/L



### Terroir & Cultivation

| **soil** | Sandy clay, limestone  
| **exposure** | Southwest  
| **elevation** | 70m  
| **farming practices** | Organic farming practices.  
| **harvesting** | Harvested by hand in August for Merlot, mid-September for Cabernet Franc, third week of September for Cabernet Sauvignon  
| **age of vines** | 15-20 years  
| **yield** | 7,500 kg/ha

### Vinification & Aging

| **blending** | Blend part after fermentation and part after 6 months of aging  
| **maceration** | Pump over and delestage for 20-25 days  
| **fermentation** | Fermented in stainless steel at a controlled temperature (26-29 degrees). 2/3 selected yeasts and 1/3 indigenous yeasts. Malolactic fermentation done after main fermentation.  
| **aging** | Aged 12 months in 500 liter oak barrels  
| **production** | 80,000 bottles

