

HORTENSE

DOC BOLGHERI ROSSO SUPERIORE

80% Cabernet Franc - 20% Cabernet Sauvignon

WINEMAKER

Eric Boissenot

SOIL COMPOSITION

Sedimentary rocks consisting of limestones, marbles, argillites with interlayers of sandstones and siliceous rocks.

VINE CULTIVATION

Guyot.

VINIFICATION AND AGEING

The grapes previously selected in the vineyard, after manual harvesting, undergo further selection in the cellar. The grapes ferment in temperature-controlled stainless steel conical tanks. Fermentation takes place with spontaneous yeasts. The wine completes its refinement with 12 months in 2nd and 3rd passage barriques.

DESCRIPTION

The bouquet inaugurates with a dense and dark fruit, a triumphant blend of envelopment and brilliance distinguishing its aromatic essence, which leaps into vertical memories of Mediterranean herbs that constitute its identity. The sip, structured yet never tamed, bids farewell with a refreshing balsamic tone, and faithfully follows the idea of Mr. Boissenot and the Fratini family, aiming to give the wine power without weight, to connect the sumptuous elegance of Bordeaux wines with the peculiar notes of Bolgheri, eradicating from the collective imagination the thought of opulent and overly extracted Bolgheri.

PAIRINGS

It pairs well with earthy and flavorful dishes, such as marinated game meat and roasted wild boar, braised guinea fowl or duck. Excellent alongside roasted veal or pork seasoned with a mix of Mediterranean herbs, including bay leaf, juniper berries, rosemary, and sage, which will enhance its intricate aromatic notes. Its complexity also shines alongside aged and rich cheeses like structured pecorino.



We find inspiration in the extraordinary life of Hortense de la Gàndara, a figure enveloped in an aura of charm and mystery. Born into Spanish aristocracy, Hortense pushed beyond the boundaries of social conventions, embracing a destiny that led her through the elegant salons of Florence, where she married Count Umberto Serristori, to royal courts, where she became a lady-in-waiting to Queen Elena of Italy.

Hortense's travels constituted the intricate fabric of her existence, a journey woven with adventures and discoveries in distant lands. From Paris to New York, from London to Istanbul, Hortense immersed herself in diverse cultures, savoring the lifeblood of distant places and peoples, forging friendships with renowned scholars, artists, and poets.

In homage to her indomitable spirit, we have created our first wine, Hortense, a symphony of elegance and adventure that reflects the many facets of her extraordinary life. Just as her refined upbringing blends with the passion and enchantment of her travels, our wines seamlessly blend the sophistication of the Bolgheri terroir with the intensity and richness that only careful craftsmanship can achieve.

*Hortense De
La Gàndara*

