



CASTIGLIONE DEL BOSCO

## ROSSO DI MONTALCINO 2019 GAUGGIOLE

### Appellation

Rosso di Montalcino DOC

### History of the wine

Rosso Gauggiole Cru is the cherry-pick of grapes from different parcels of vineyards, located in the north-east part of the estate, ranging from 250 to 350 m a.s.l. The name derives from the location of the vineyards, historically titled after the farmstead of the same name. Soils in this area are fresh and not overly clayey, and the northeast aspect mitigates the power and heat that are typical of vineyards, which are not located at high altitude.

### 2019 vintage at Castiglione del Bosco

2019 was a vintage with a capital A! A dry winter, with rainfall below average recovered widely in the month of May cool and rainy. A late year since the vegetative restart, marked by a temperate summer and without important atmospheric events that allowed excellent ripening and an excellent vegetative balance of the plants. The rains are adorned at the end of August, followed by an ideal September cool and ventilated. The harvest in Castiglione Del Bosco began on September 16th with the Gauggiole vineyard. When the grapes were harvested, perfectly ripe, they appeared with sparse bunches and small berries, with average weights of the bunches of 15/18 % less. Must rich in aromas, excellent intensity of coloring, and excellent tannic ripening, prerogative of long-lived wines and of great complexity.

### Vinification and ageing

Grapes underwent a first selection in the vineyard, where the cluster were hand-picked into 15-kg boxes, and then a second one on the sorting table. Fermentation took place at controlled temperature. The wine started the vinification in stainless steel tanks for 6 months and then continued in concrete tanks for 18 months to preserve the primary aromas that the vineyard itself enhances. These choices have led to a wine that communicates a fresh and crisp fruitiness. After bottling, the wine aged a further 4 months prior to release.

### Winemaker tasting notes

“The 2019 vintage was a dream. The wine has a brilliant and lively red color. On the nose, the fresh fruit and pomegranate are enhanced by delicate herbal notes that make way for red, pink and purple flowers. Aromas of red fruit such as cherry, floral shades of violet and some spicy notes such as pepper, in the finish. The wine results well balanced on the palate with a great potential in ageing.”

*Cecilia Leoneschi, October 2021*

