# LEMACCHIOLE

# Scrio 2013

# ESTATE

Le Macchiole can best be defined as the "Boutique Bolgheri." The estate is known above all for its single-variety wines, which have reached cult status among wine enthusiasts the world over. Le Macchiole was founded by two Bolgheri natives, Eugenio Campolmi and Cinzia Merli, who were among the pioneers of wine production in the region in the early 1980s together with Sassicaia and Ornellaia. In addition to its renowned single varieties, the winery is also celebrated for their polished, elegant, and sophisticated wines that are a result of extremely meticulous work in the vineyards.

#### WINE

Scrio was created to fulfill Eugenio Campolmi's wish to produce a wine that would best express his vision of Syrah, his favorite grape variety. As all Le Macchiole wines, Scrio has an original personality and stands apart from Syrah grown in France or anywhere else – it is an extraordinarily compelling meld of deep and velvety Mediterranean fruit with cool climate aromatics and detail. Given the extremely limited production, Scrio is decidedly a hidden gem. "Scrio" is a Tuscan word that translates to pure, genuine, and honest.

### VINEYARD

Sourced from two vineyards: Puntone and Madonnina, from extremely restricted yields due to low vigor plants and green harvesting. *Vine Training:* Double cordon spur and guyot *Grape Variety:* 100% Syrah *Alcohol:* 14%

## WINEMAKING

*Fermentation:* Maceration for 20 days in steel tanks *Aging:* 20 months in new tonneaux and 25% in 2nd-passage barriques

#### VINTAGE

The 2013 is, without a doubt, one of best vintages ever produced in Bolgheri and one of Le Macchiole's most interesting, complete and harmonious harvests. The slow and homogeneous ripening of the clusters led to perfect phenolic maturation and preservation of varietal character. Harvesting of red grapes began the first week of September with the Merlot and ended on October 10 with the Cabernet Franc. The reds reflect the perfect climate conditions of the 2013 harvest: well-balanced tannins, intense aromatic level and a level of acidity that gives immediate drinkability and considerable aging potential.



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#### JAMES SUCKLING

"Wow. This is the best syrah in Tuscany this year with incredible depth and beauty. The texture is so plush yet polished and caressing. Full body. The finish of chocolate, hazelnuts, smoked meat and fruit lasts for minutes. Drink or hold. Pure syrah."

