

THE SOURCE

GIACOMO BARALDO

TUSCANY



2021 TOSCANA ROSSO, CRU, 'IL POZZONE'

PRODUCER OVERVIEW

The artistic, free-thinking, well-trained and technically astute enologist and vignaiolo, Giacomo Baraldo, is influenced by his past and has the support of his family, yet is beholden to nothing and no one. He acts on intuition guided by his near decade of widely varied experiences in Bordeaux and Burgundy, Patagonia and New Zealand (where he has another small ongoing wine project). His wines are thoughtful, exploratory, generous but measured and diverse, including Chardonnay planted on a rocky limestone slope below cliffs using massale selections from the Côte d'Or gathered from friends in Burgundy. His Grechetto orange wine was reborn in the field from vines below the main square of San Casciano dei Bagni, and his Sangiovese single-site wines must be highlighted, as they are his true muse, the inspiration that guides his work to unlock the potential of Monte Cetona, a solitary limestone mountain with complex geology halfway between Rome and Florence in the Provincia di Siena. All wines are naturally fermented, with the whites in steel, oak, and the orange Grechetto wine in amphora. The Sangiovese crus are partially fermented in the vineyard with partial stem inclusion, and 12-18 months of aging in small-format old French oak barrels.

VINEYARD DETAILS

“Il Pozzone” (named after a well in the vineyard) comes from 0.7ha of Sangiovese planted in 1975 on a medium slope facing east at 300-315m on limestone bedrock and a topsoil of limestone rock, calcareous fossils, silt, sand, and some clay.

CELLAR NOTES

10% whole cluster natural ferment for 25-32 days with 2-3 daily punch downs. Aged 18 months in 228-500l old French oak, full ML, and 6 months in steel. No fining or filtration.

