

# TENUTA SAN GUIDO le DIFESE TOSCANA IGT 2021



### \$44.99

Product Code:	37574	Closure:	Cork
Country:	Italy	Unit:	Each
Region:	Tuscany	Volume:	750ml
Sub Region:	Toscana IGT	Grape:	55% Sangiovese, 45% Cabernet Sauvignon
Style:	Red		
Variety:	Red Blend		







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#### TASTING NOTES

Le Difese's first vintage was 2002. It is the latest addition at Tenuta San Guido. It is an extremely pleasant, smooth and versatile wine that welcomes a selection of grapes blended with Sangiovese, while it exemplifies its qualities when paired with food. Le Difese takes its name from the teeth of the wild boar, depicted in gold on the label.

#### **91/100 Decanter** (2021 Vintage)

"Le Difese in 2021 sports a majority of Sangiovese – 55% – in a break from the traditional 70/30 split in favour of Cabernet Sauvignon. Third-generation at Tenuta San Guido, Priscilla Incisa della Rocchetta, explained that this decision was made to enhance the wine's 'local Tuscan' character, and to improve its drinkability early on as 'a first step into the Tenuta San Guido world.' While the Cabernet is grown on the estate, the Sangiovese is sourced, as always, from long-term partners based in Chianti Rufina. Bright, incredibly vibrant red, black and blue fruits introduce subtle, finely grained tannins with notes of wood and chocolate. It's at once juicy, tangy and crunchy, with good ripeness and great acidity. Matured for eight months in used barriques."

## 91/100 Antonio Galloni, Vinous (2021 Vintage)

"The 2021 Le Difese is redolent of crushed red berry fruit, rose petal, lavender, spice and sweet pipe tobacco. Medium in body yet nicely layered, the 2021 is impeccably balanced. It is also a sheer delight to taste at this early stage. In many vintages, Le Difese is a fruity, forward wine, but the 2021 has a nervy feeling of classicism that is hugely appealing. It's one of my favourite recent vintages. As it has been for some time, Le Difese is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon from the estate and



Sangiovese purchased from several properties in Chianti Classico, with the energy of Sangiovese very much driving the feel in this vintage."

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