

Cuvelier Los Andes

MALBEC 2018

PURE EXPRESSION OF THE GRAPE



Until our youngest vines are sufficiently mature to produce grapes with enough complexity to qualify for our top wines, we use these grapes in our Varietals range. With our Malbec we offer the distinctive flavors and purest expressions of the emblematic varietal of Argentina. We produce this wine using the same process, care and love as per our Colección.



Technical Data

100% Malbec

Location: Uco Valley, Vista Flores, Tunuyán, Mendoza, Argentina.

Alcohol: 15 %

Acidity: 5,04 g/L

Residual Sugar: 1,9 g/L

pH: 3,77

Dry Extract: 27.9 g/L

Production: 62.300 Bottles.

Vintage Characteristics

The season started with a cold and dry winter that remained persistent throughout September. Spring and Summer high and low temperatures exceeded their annual average ranges. However, this increased temperature range promoted an optimal phenolic maturity and an incredible anthocyanin accumulation. These exceptional conditions delivered an outstanding vintage which is captured in each of our wines. 2018 is definitely a vintage to remember, and possibly, the best vintage of our short history.

Vineyards

Total area: 65 hectares.

Area in production: 55 hectares.

Altitude: 1000 meters above sea level.

Plantation density: 5500 plants per hectare in vertical trellising system.

Yield: 7000 kg per hectare.

Harvest: manual in 12 kg boxes.

Wine-Making

Once the vats are full, the grapes undergo maceration before the alcoholic fermentation occurs. This takes place in stainless steel tanks at a maximum of 26°C and lasts from 7 to 10 days

Malolactic fermentation: 100%

Aging: 60% in French oak barrels for 11 months.

Tasting Note

Appearance: Very intense and beautiful violet red.

Aroma: very complex, mineral, ripe red fruits, plums and flowers like violets, very good intensity, typical.

Mouth: very good entry with a sweet sensation, velvety with an excellent body and a pleasant and long finish. Very balanced.

Tim Atkins : 90 pts

James Suckling : 92 pts