

Remolinos translates as 'little whirlwinds' - these mountain breezes are critical, as they keep the Decero vineyards dry and free from disease after it rains



Mini Ediciones Cabernet Franc 2018

Agrelo, Mendoza, Argentina

ESTATE

Finca Decero has become recognized not only for having one of the highest quality vineyards in all of Mendoza, but also for catapulting into an elite group of the most highly regarded producers in Argentina. The wines all come from the single Finca Decero vineyard, and the winery is focused entirely on quality.

WINE

As the name suggests, Mini Ediciones are highly limited parcels of wine from lesser known varieties. These wines, consistently paired for its juicy, rich full-bodied character, are wholly espressive of the Remolinos Vineyard and represent an opportunity to taste a variety rarely seen in its pure form.

VINEYARD

Soils: Low vigor, coarse soils.

Farming: Certified sustainable and vegan. Minimal machinery is used - there are no tractors in the vineyards, and all fruit is hand-picked and gravity fed in the winery. Sprays are minimal and at organic levels, irrigation is drip, and all water at the winery is re-used. The winery encourages natural biodiversity, such as lechuza owls which prey on vine pests.

WINEMAKING

Variety: 100% Cabernet Franc

Fermentation: Cool alcoholic fermentation to preserve aromatics and freshness of flavours. Further maceration during 10 - 12 days, then racking, followed by malo-lactic fermentation in 600 L French oak barrels.

Aging: 16 months maturation in 600L French oak barrels.

Alcohol: 14.5%

VINTAGE

Following a spring frost which diminished the overall crop, the summer was warm and dry leading to healthy grapes with excellent phenolic ripeness . The wines of this vintage show extremely high quality with a richer concentration than previous vintages yet with good balance between body and structure. 2018 will be remembered as a stellar vintage in Argentina's recent history .

TASTING NOTES

The wine shows nuances of pepper, graphite and plum notes with fresh aromatics and taut acidity resulting in a well structured, elegant Cabernet Franc with great potential for ageing.



"Wines of the Year: Best Cabernet Franc: Now made with three different clones (312, 327 and R9), this Cabernet Franc was always good but has ramped up a gear in terms of perfume and complexity in 2018. Deeply coloured, leafy and refined, this has filigree tannins, layers of black cherry and red berry fruit, a twist of tangerine and nuanced oak." - T.A.,2020



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