



MENDEL

LUNTA

TECHNICAL SHEET - 2016

MALBEC 100 %

Mayor Drummond vineyards, Luján de Cuyo.

VINEYARD

- Property: Mayor Drummond, Luján de Cuyo.
- Altitude: Luján de Cuyo at 980 meters above sea level.
- Year of planting: 1928.
- Malbec selection: Luján and Altamira.
- Yield: 7,500 kilos per hectare.

HARVEST

- Harvest Date: 1st and 2nd week of April 2016.
- Hand-harvested in 18-kilo crates. Bunches are selected in the vineyard.
- Characteristics of the year: The 2016 harvest was affected by "El Niño" phenomenon which brought on a cold and rainy spring; therefore, bud-break was delayed in approximately 2 weeks. As summer was rainy and cool, ripening was also delayed in 2 weeks. As a result, red wines turned out highly aromatic, exhibiting fresh, red fruit and floral notes. On the palate, fresh and persistent.

WINEMAKING

- After destemming the clusters, the berries are selected on vibrant table.
- Fermentation and maceration are carried out in 80 Hl stainless steel tanks. During the first weeks, the wines were homogenized through punching down, commonly known as "Piegame Manuel" made by hand.
- Maceration: 3 weeks in total.
- Slightly pressed in a pneumatic press.
- Malolactic fermentation in tanks and barrels.
- Ageing 50% in new French oak barrels of second and third use for 12 months. And the other 50% remained in stainless steel tanks.
- Soft clarification, without filtration.
- Bottled in November 2017.

TASTING NOTES

- Color: Dark red ruby.

-Nose: Fruity and fresh. This wine expressed ripe red and black fruits such as raspberries, plums and blackberries. It also displays floral aromas of violets. Because of its oak aging, it evokes subtle vanilla, caramel and spices which give this Malbec complexity.

-Mouth: It is smooth, fruity and easy to drink. Its balance between its floral and fruity notes with its acidity give this Malbec intensity, freshness and liveliness. Its ripe and sweet tannins provide this wine with a firm structure and balance.

Best served: 16 °C - 18 °C (62 °F - 64 °F).

Alcohol: 14.2 % v/v.

Volume: 750 ml.

Peak drinking: 2017 -2026

Production limited to 85,000 bottles.



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