



RIBERA DEL CUARZO

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RIBERA DEL CUARZO **Especial Malbec 2022**

Especial Malbec comes from our 5ha Araucana Vineyard that has unique and distinctive characteristics. Calcareous soils, cool nights, and strong winds, are constant challenges for our vines, which leads to wines with excellent concentration and marked natural acidity.



ARAUCANA VINEYARD CHARACTERISTICS

Region Valle Azul, Patagonia, Argentina - Araucana Vineyard

Soil Type Sandy loam soil of alluvial, aeolian, and volcanic origin. High content of calcium carbonate in its composition.

Plantation type VSP. High trellis system.

Density 5.000 plants/ha.

Average production (kg/hectare) 5.000 kg/ha

Age Araucana Vineyard is 22 years old.

HARVEST SUMMARY

We call the 2022 vintage "The Prosperous", most successful vintage of all since we are producing at the estate. The region experienced favorable weather conditions throughout the growing season, which contributed to the overall quality of the grapes and the resulting wines.

The year began with a cold winter followed by a cool and dry spring, allowing for a gradual bud break and consistent vine growth. This extended the ripening period, allowing the grapes to develop slowly and evenly, which led to grapes with good concentration and balance, resulting in wines with vibrant flavors and excellent structure, exhibiting the region's signature traits: freshness, elegance, and a sense of place.

WINE INFORMATION

Blend 95% Malbec, 5% Petit verdot

Harvest type Manual in 13 kg boxes

Age of barrels 30% new - 30% second use - 40% third use

Aging French oak (12 months)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Producer's name Bodega Ribera del Cuarzo

Viticultor Felipe José Menéndez

WineMaker & Agronomist Ernesto Bajda

ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol 15%

PH 3,5%

Residual sugar 5,05g/l

Acidity T:5,93

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