

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



# Cabernet Sauvignon 2017

## 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

The Finca Decero Cabernet Sauvignon is defined by its cherry and spice aromatics and with an emphasis on red fruit flavors. The structure is elegant with highly integrated tannins. Aging in French oak gives the wine a decided elegance with finesse on the long finish.

#### **VINEYARD**

Soils: Grown in the gravel-rich soils of the Remolinos vineyard, part of the Agrelo appellation at nearly 3,500 feet in elevation

Yields: 3.6 tons/acre

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 Sauvignon

Fermentation: 25-30 days total maceration: 5-7 days cold soak; 10 days fermentation in small wide stainless steel tanks. 78°F for most aromatic parcels and 86°F for parcels with more concentration to derive more texture; 15-18 days extended maceration.

Aging: Gently basket pressed before 90% goes into French oak barrels (30% new) for malolactic fermentation and 14 months maturation.

Alcohol: 14.5%

### **VINTAGE**

In 2017, Mendoza experienced a moderate and dry winter with temperatures slightly above average. During the following cold, dry spring a frost took the winery by surprise and naturally resulted in decreased yields in the Remolinos Vineyard but did not affect quality. These lower yields provided concentrated fruit of high quality.



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"A soft and juicy cabernet with currant and raspberry aromas and flavors. Medium body. Easy finish. Delicious." - JS, 9/2019