# FINCA DECERO

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 Petit Verdot 2015

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 expressive of the Remolinos Vineyard and represent an opportunity to taste a variety rarely seen in a pure form.

## VINEYARD

*Soils:* Low vigor, coarse soils over gravel *Yields:* 2.8 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% Petit Verdot

*Fermentation:* 30 days total maceration: 7 days cold soak; 10 days fermentation in small wide stainless steel tanks at 82°F to extract both the jasmine aromas and the textural concentration. 18 days extended maceration.

*Aging:* Gently basket pressed before going into French oak (50% new) for malolactic fermentation and 16 months maturation

Alcohol: 14.5%

#### VINTAGE

The 2015 vintage was characterized by a warm spring and early summer which brought forward harvesting by 10-15 days. There were frequent summer rains and the final crop of the vineyard was small in quantity but of high quality. These early picked grapes gave higher acidity than usual and slightly lower concentration, making the 2015 vintage wine slightly more elegant than its predecessor.

## TASTING NOTE

"The wine has great aromatic intensity, displaying wild blueberry combined with quince notes and spices. Very well balanced, with deep flavors and structured tannins, it has superb aging potential." - Juan E. Marcó, CEO and Director of Viticulture & Winemaking

