

ADELANTE

2022 OLD VINE MALBEC

REGION:	La Consulta, Valle de Uco, Mendoza.
VINEYARD:	76-year-old, self-rooted vines in alluvial sand and clay soils.
ELEVATION:	3,000 feet.
YIELD:	2.5 tons per acre/42 hectoliters per hectare.

This ADELANTE® Malbec originates from our vineyard, Don Eugenio, in La Consulta, Valle de Uco, one of Mendoza's coolest grape growing regions.

→ THE 2022 GROWING SEASON

It was a challenging growing year, but all the work done to improve the health of our vineyard paid off. Two big frosts made for a shorter time between the beginning and end of harvest. Our 76 year vineyard confirmed the adage of healthy old vines can deal with the stress of a difficult growing year. Due to the frost our yields were lower than in the past. We welcomed the warm weather at the end of the growing season allowing the grapes to reach phenolic maturity.

→ THE STYLE

2022 exemplifies Malbec as being more than a one note varietal. Our goal is to express the vintage and to achieve balance within all the components. Thereby expressing the potential complexity of Malbec. While the wine is more structured than previous vintages, the balance is there. The fruit, mild spice, tannins with fresh flavors of the vintage, meld together. This wine, while enjoyable at first sip, continues to evolve the next day.

→ THE WINEMAKING

We employed a cold soak of three days, native yeast fermentation, followed by natural malolactic fermentation; no SO₂ was added until the malolactic fermentation was complete. After ML fermentation, the wine was pressed and put into 25% new, 50% old French oak, and 25% stainless steel.

→ THE WINE: Fresh, Lively, Malbec

The 2022 Adelante Malbec starts with the subtle fragrance of red and blue fruits. A fresh, lively, Malbec with pomegranate notes at entry transitioning to traditional blue fruit flavors with a hint of spice. The finishing tannins linger in the mouth, adding depth to the finish. This vintage will age well over time.

MALBEC & FOOD

62.5% of Argentinians have some degree of Italian ancestry. It's like being in Italy without any Italians! Pasta, pizza, milanesa, Italian cold cuts/cheese, panettone, gelato, espresso etc. with steaks, grilled meats are staple foods found everywhere. Malbec was the early immigrants choice and stood the test of time

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