



## **Agustín Lombroni** **Winemaker, Del Rio Elorza (Verum) Winery**

Agustín Lombroni is the first native winemaker from Patagonia Argentina. He studied at Don Bosco University in Mendoza and started in the wine industry at 18 years-old working in Bodega La Rural with well-known Argentine winemaker Mariano Di Paola. He traveled to New Zealand to work at Villa Maria Estate, one of the most important wine groups in that country. He also worked at Columbia Crest (#1 Wine Spectator Top 100 of 2009) with Juan Muñoz Oca, head-winemaker of the company. For two years he served as second winemaker in Barrancas SA in Mendoza.

After working in different terroirs in Mendoza and other countries, Agustín returned to his beloved native Patagonia, and at 27, in 2012 took the wine direction of Bodega Del Rio Elorza, implementing their knowledge in the Patagonian terroir with the counseling of Alberto Antonini and Mariano Vignoni.



Bodega Del Rio Elorza (Verum) is one of the winery jewels of Alto Valle de Rio Negro and produces one of the very top Chardonnays in Argentina (90 points Wine Advocate); a best value Malbec (91 points Wine & Spirits); a stunning Malbec Reserve (91 points Wine Enthusiast); and a classic Pinot Noir (95 points Wilfred Wong). Each of these wines is a true example of its Patagonian terroir.