

VINTAGE 2020

WINEMAKER Diana Bellincioni, Alejandro "Colo" Sejanovich & Jeff Mausbach

WINERY Anko

**VINEYARDS** Estancia Los Cardones, Salta

VARIETAL 100% Malbec

AVG. VINEYARD ALTITUDE 5,700 feet

**SUSTAINABLY FARMED 100%** 

**HARVEST METHOD** By Hand

**AGING** 6 months in French oak barrels, 20% new

ALCOHOL 13.9%

**TOTAL PRODUCTION 1,500 Cases** 

RESIDUAL SUGAR 0.18 g/L

ACIDITY TA of 5.6 g/L, pH of 3.7

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ESTANCIA LOS CARDONES - SALTA



## **MALBEC 2020**

## VINTAGE NOTES

**WINERY INFORMATION:** In this rugged, mountainous desert, an "Anko," or high altitude oasis, was treasured as a precious sanctuary, protection from the harsh elements of nature. Wine Enthusiast quoted Anko winemaker Jeff Mausbach as follows: "Salta is a land of extremes—extreme beauty, extreme altitude, extreme sunlight. These extremes make for a singular expression of Malbec—powerful, structured wines with a savory minerality that is very different from other regions in Argentina."

**LABEL NOTES:** Anko means "high water" in the native Indian language of Salta, located in the northwest corner of Argentina. Our estate vineyards in Estancia Los Cardones, named for the area's majestic cacti which can grow as tall as 30 feet, are indeed an oasis amid the surrounding jagged landscape.

**FERMENTATION:** Gentle destemming; cold maceration for 7 days; natural yeasts.

**COLOR:** Dark red

**TASTING NOTES:** Some dried strawberry, with savory, wet-earth and toasty-oak character. Very sturdy, ambitious tannin structure on the palate. The flavors fade away slightly, though in a very nice way.

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