



# ALTOCEDRO

## MALBEC RESERVA 2022

### VINTAGE NOTES

**WINERY INFORMATION:** Altocedro was founded in 1999 by visionary Karim Mussi. Third generation Lebanese immigrant, Karim and his family pioneered La Consulta, Uco Valley as a special place to make “born and raised” wines. Altocedro is synonymous with outstanding La Consulta wine. Original old vine rootstocks, indigenous yeasts, hundred year-old concrete fermentation tanks, and Karim’s minimalist winemaking create true terroir-driven wines.

**LABEL NOTES:** Altocedro means “tall cedar,” and represents both wine-maker and owner Karim Mussi Saffie's Lebanese-Argentine heritage, and a cedar tree which towers over the winery.

**WINEMAKING:** The three vineyards are harvested by hand in small plastic cases at different times, ensuring different ripeness points. They are received on double sorting belts to be immediately placed in small concrete vats, without the use of pumps or pipes. Short and frequent pump-overs with a daily delestage, reaching seven in total.

**FERMENTATION:** Traditional fermentation with indigenous yeasts and post-fermentation maceration for three to four weeks.

**COLOR:** Deep ruby red

**TASTING NOTES:** Creamy mocha-chocolate notes jump out first, followed by very ripe blackberries and some mulberries. The full-bodied palate garners a bit of dried fruit, too, but not in a jammy way. Rich and concentrated with dense, ripe tannins to seal it all.

**VINTAGE** 2022

**WINEMAKER** Karim Mussi Saffie

**WINERY** Altocedro

**VINEYARDS** La Consulta, Valle de Uco, Mendoza

**VARIETAL** 100% Malbec

**AVG. AGE OF VINES** 80 years

**AVG. VINEYARD ALTITUDE**  
3,150 feet

**SUSTAINABLY FARMED** 100%

**HARVEST METHOD** By Hand

**AGING** 100% spent 18 months in French oak barrels from three different coopers brands

**ALCOHOL** 15%

**TOTAL PRODUCTION** 1,300 Cases

**RESIDUAL SUGAR** 1.69 g/L

**ACIDITY** TA of 5.73 g/L, pH of 3.6

**UPC** 852282002407

91pts



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