

Fernando Saavedra Jr.
Owner and General Manager, Estancia Los Cardones



Fernando Saavedra Jr., together with his father, founded Estancia Los Cardones on a dry, arid, rocky piece of land in Salta, Argentina. They dreamed of one day building a small, boutique winery to make wine from this oasis in the desert. This dream started becoming a reality in 2008 when they planted 50 acres of extreme high-altitude vineyards, and was cemented in 2016 when the on-site winery was built. The winemakers and co-owners are Alejandro "Colo" Sejanovich and Jeff Mausbach. Fernando went on to study Business Administration and worked in one of the largest wineries in Argentina as a Regional Sales Manager. Two years ago he returned to his native Salta to take up the commercial management of Estancia Los Cardones. He has spent the last two years as the General Manager, working the harvest, managing vinifications and supervising sales.