

ALTOCEDRO

The Sustainability Story of Altocedro

HISTORY & FAMILY VALUES

In 1999, Karim Mussi was the first to see the potential of **La Consulta** in the Uco Valley. It was there that he bought a **100-year-old winery** and planted his first vineyard.

Altocedro, translated as the high cedars, is named for the cedar trees of Lebanon planted around the property as an homage to his ancestry. Tradition & heritage are important, today he and his sister pay tribute to their Lebanese culture by recreating their mother and grandmother's recipes at the winery.

La Consulta is considered one of the **5 Great Terroirs** of Agentina.

ESTATE-GROWN

Karim's belief is to create terroir driven wines and has based his winemaking on **3 fundamental pillars**: Innovation, **Terroir** Awareness, and Vineyard **Sustainability**. His philosophy is to pay respect to the land and nature to create wines that are "**Born and Raised**" in La Consulta.

100% Estate-grown fruit from old vines, many over 100 years old. Karim own a nursery supplying new vines and original pre phylloxera/ungrafted vines.



SUSTAINABLY-FARMED

Altocedro believes in using minimally invasive and low intervention in their vineyards and winemaking. Vine runners are used to replace missing plants thus keeping the integrity and original identity of the vine. Vegan practices are used and the wines are unfined and unfiltered. For fertilization, local compost, recycled pumice and biodiverse soils are used. Pest control is done naturally using copper sulfite. The vineyards are maintained with manual weed control and no plowing or tillage. The vineyards use 100% wastewater cleaned by ozone or steam for irrigation along with water from the Andes. The winery is gravity-fed with no pumps or pipes, into the concrete fermenters which require less cooling and heating during fermentation. All this makes the winery green, energy efficient with a low environmental impact.





COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Altocedro believes in **giving back to the community**. They work exclusively with local people and **prioritize buying from local producers**. Using mainly manual practices the winery is low emissions and **better for the environment and community**. They have instituted **permanent educational training opportunities** and have many rewards plans with different compensatory benefits. In addition to their standard safety controls and procedures they have been especially vigilant to be Covid compliant.





