





# **HARVEST REPORT 2023**

ARGENTINA: NORTHWESTERN /M ENDOZA / PATAGONIA.

## **SALTA**

(29' LATITUDE SOUTH; ELEVATION FROM 5500FT TO 7,200FT)

Located at 29' Latitude South, this is one of the highest places in the world with grape vine production, to produce one of the most beautiful and self-personality wines.

Unique character, traditional powerful or even elegant.
Not only the wines, it said that most intense and great species in Arg. come from here.

## VALLES CALCHAQUIES

These Valleys were also affected by the late frost in November, which was extended in almost all the main viticulture areas.

The low volume obtained this year, ( @ 22% less than 2022), is making the elaboration of the wines more expensive, but the results are very good, with nice acidity, very good balance and great expression an typicity. The wines from all these high altitude terroirs, continue surprising with the amazing personality of each of them. Obtaining now the great intensity, but at the same time elegance and balance.



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### **MENDOZA**

(33' LATITUTED SOUTH; ELEVATION FROM 2,600FT TO 4,900FT)

It is the main region in Argentina, located in Region de Cuyo (33' Latitude South), together with San juan province, producing the 92% of total production from Argentina.

Mendoza has found great great terroirs for Malbec, Cabernet Sauv. Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Bonarda, Syrah, also great whites, like Chard. SB, Viognier even Torrontes. Two regions stand out above the others:

Lujan de Cuyo, tradicional terroir for Cab. And Malbec with a history of more than 100 years. The oldest vineyards give the most exquisites wines. Valle de Uco, even with some old terroir, this area at foothills of the Andes start growing middle of 90' with the drip irrigation revolution, allowing agronomist find new and exciting terroirs for the best wines, still with a big potential of growing.

# LUJAN DE CUYO

This year we had an earlier harvest, with low volume due to the frost in October and November, what gave us an earlier harvest, with nice natural acidity, low alcohol and succulent wines very expressive.

The red with less alcohol and more acidity will show a more sophisticated style with a nice fruit.

The white under these conditions allowed the producer to continue growing their great quality of these, obtaining wines with great acidity and elegance, showing a very attractive fruit.

Leading by Chardonnay, the white revolution continues this year, showing wines very expressive with great acidity and elegance.

#### VALLE DE UCO

In this zone also we have less volume due to frost. The differential was the very good natural acidity and the remarkable typicity and mineral character in all the different altitude and soils.

We will enjoy very concentrated wines with great aging potential



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## **PATAGONIA**

(FROM 39' LATITUDE SOUTH TO 44'; ELEVATION 150 TO 950FT)

This regions where you can produce grapes from 39' Latitude South to 44', It has the main production in the Alto Valle of Rio Negro, divided in two areas, the tradional fruit area in the valley, more protected and the new area of San Patricio del Chanar.

The wines here have different character with less power, but more elegance.

Also there is a new exciting area, the only one in Patagonia with maritime influence and one of the two with this characteristic in Argentina, since the rest of the country has Continental weaher.

This blessing area, has constant wind, good sun and the influence of Ocean, who not permit to have temperatures above 80F.

# ALTO VALLE DE RIO NEGRO (CONTINENTAL)

It was a hard year for the Valley, a big hail in October and a late frost end of November, reduce considerably the volume of grapes.

Rio Negro was more affected than San Patricio del Chanar. But the producers that were lucky or protected against these weather conditions, were able to produce elegant wines with a very expressive fruit and great acidity, for sure these wines will be expensive this year.

#### SAN JAVIER (ATLANTIC INFLUENCE)

This terroir also had a short vintage, due to the late frost in November, it was one of the lowest in 10 years, but then we have a nice hot summer, with few rains, which allow the vines ripe get a good ripeness to the grapes with a great sanity.

The wines, that survive the frost, were excellent, very expressive, with good concetration.

