

Las Compuertas Project | “Cinco Suelos”

Las Compuertas, Argentina



The Story: 'Proyecto las Compuertas' (The Compuertas Project) began in 2007, when brothers Pablo and Hector Durigutti purchased 5 Ha of old vine Malbec vineyards in Las Compuertas, Mendoza, steps from their winery. The estate now goes by the name of 'Finca Victoria', after Hector and Pablo's mother. With the Las Compuertas Project, Pablo and Hector aim to support the local growers who proudly maintain the vineyards and traditional practices of this historic winemaking region in the face of aggressive urbanization. Pablo and Hector call Las Compuertas home, living and raising their families here. The Compuertas Project is their way of giving back to the region.

Vineyard: At 3,500 feet altitude, Las Compuertas has some of the coldest weather in the region and features significant soil diversity. Organic with cover crops, double cordon training system, mantle irrigation system.

Vinification: Grapes from each parcel vinified separately, before the final cut was made. Whole grape cold maceration for 5 days. Spontaneous fermentation with native yeasts on the skins in concrete eggs with 3 daily pisonages for 22 days. 35 days malolactic fermentation in 3rd and 4th use 500 liter barrels.

Ageing: 8 months in 500 liter 3rd and 4th use 500 liter oak barrels; 6 months in concrete eggs.

Everything else you want to know about this wine: Pablo and Hector had a precise analysis done of their vineyards, identifying 5 distinct soil types. They have carefully adjusted their care of the vines accordingly, coaxing the best grapes out of the 75-104 year old vines. Cinco Suelos translates to 5 soils.

Varietal: 100% Centennial Malbec

Region: Mendoza

Winemaker: Hector and Pablo Durigutti

Vines Age: Planted in 1914

Soil: Deep clayish soil, limestone, stony soil, frank sandy soil, and river stones soil

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