

Las Compuertas Project | Criolla Parral

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: Whole grape cold maceration for 5 days. Fermentation with native yeasts on the skins in concrete eggs. Halfway through the process, skins are separated and fermentation proceeds as that of a white wine. 15 days malolactic fermentation with native bacteria in concrete eggs at controlled temperatures.

Ageing: Concrete Eggs without epoxy.

Everything else you want to know about this wine: As Pablo explains, "We set out to become a part of Las Compuertas. We feel a strong commitment to reclaiming the traditions of this historic wine-making area and becoming the interpreters of this unique terroir."

Varietal: 100% Criolla Chica (Mission)

Region: Mendoza

Winemaker: Hector and Pablo Durigutti.

Vines Age: Planted in 1943

Farming: Working Organic

Soil: Stony free soil

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