

Las Compuertas Project | Malbec “1914”

Las Compuertas, Argentina



Varietal: 100% Centennial Malbec

Region: Mendoza

Winemaker: Hector and Pablo Durigutti

Vines Age: Planted in 1914

Farming: Working Organic

Soil: Deep clay-loam soil

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. Low trellis system; deep clay-loam soil. Hand harvested into 40 lb cases third week of March 2015

Vinification: Whole grape cold maceration for 5 days. Fermentation with native yeasts on the skins in concrete eggs with 3 daily punch-downs at controlled temperatures. 30 day malolactic fermentation with native bacteria in 2,000 liter second use oak foudres.

Ageing: 16 months in same oak foudres with additional month in concrete eggs.

Everything else you want to know about this wine: Tiny production only 157 cases made. Ungrafted vines with prephylloxera rootstock.

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