

FINCA DECERO

Remolinos translates as 'little whirlwinds' - these mountain breezes are critical, as they keep the Decero vineyards dry and free from disease after it rains



Mini Ediciones Petit Verdot 2017

Agrelo, Mendoza, Argentina

ESTATE

Finca Decero has become recognized not only for having one of the highest quality vineyards in all of Mendoza, but also for catapulting into an elite group of the most highly regarded producers in Argentina. The wines all come from the single Finca Decero vineyard, and the winery is focused entirely on quality.

WINE

As the name suggests, Mini Ediciones are highly limited parcels of wine from lesser known varieties. These wines, consistently paired for its juicy, rich full-bodied character, are wholly expressive of the Remolinos Vineyard and represent an opportunity to taste a variety rarely seen in its pure form.

VINEYARD

Soils: Low vigor, coarse soils over gravel

Farming: Certified sustainable and vegan. Minimal machinery is used - there are no tractors in the vineyards, and all fruit is hand-picked and gravity fed in the winery. Sprays are minimal and at organic levels, irrigation is drip, and all water at the winery is re-used. The winery encourages natural biodiversity, such as lechuza owls which prey on vine pests.

WINEMAKING

Variety: 100% Petit Verdot

Fermentation: 30 days total maceration: 7 days cold soak; 10 days fermentation in small wide stainless steel tanks at 82 F to extract both the jasmine aromas and the textural concentration. 18 days extended maceration.

Aging: Gently basket pressed before going into French oak barrels (50% new) for 16 months maturation.

Alcohol: 14.1%

VINTAGE

On the lead up to vintage 2017, Mendoza experienced a moderate and dry winter with temperatures slightly above average. During the following cold, dry spring, the later development of Petit Verdot meant it was unaffected by the early spring frost. The quality of 2017 Petit Verdot is marked in the perfect balance of the fruit which had vibrant acidity and lifted freshness of aromas and flavors.

TASTING NOTES

The wine has great aromatic intensity, displaying wild blueberry combined with quince notes and spices. Very well balanced, with deep flavours and structured tannins, it has superb ageing potential.