



ARRAIGO BENEGAS

ESTATE BLEND



Varietal Composition: 50% Malbec, 20% Cabernet Franc, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot.

Grape Origin: The Malbec grape is from our vineyards Finca La Encerrada (1450 meters above sea level; 4800 ft), Gualtallary, Uco Valley. The Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot and Merlot grapes are from our vineyards Finca Libertad, Mendoza Upper River Bank (850 meters above sea level; 2800 ft), Cruz de Piedra, Maipu, Mendoza.

Harvest Time: Malbec: Last week of April, Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon: 2nd fortnight of April, Merlot: End of March, Petit Verdot: 2nd fortnight of March.

Winemaking Process: All varietals are vinified separately. Cold pre-fermentative maceration. Fermentation in tank at 25°C (77°F), with native yeast. Post fermentation maceration during two weeks. Racking and natural malolactic fermentation.

Ageing: 6 months in French oak barrels.

Technical Data: Alcohol: 14.5% | Sugar: 1.96 | PH: 3,6 | Acidity: 5.8 gr/ltr

TASTING NOTES

Colour: Ruby red colour with brownish edges. Medium intensity.

Nose: The complexity of the varietal composition of this wine shows in the nose aromas of red and black fruit, spices like white pepper, clove and cardamom. Herbal notes of eucalyptus, thyme and rosemary. The wood ageing rents notes of cocoa and vanilla.

Mouth: Intense wine at the entrances. It reaches all its volume with a high impact in the middle palate, exhibiting round tannins as the result of the five varietals. Long and lingering finish with a slight herbaceous note in the end.

Ageing Capacity: 8 years

Drinking Temperature: 15°/17° C (59°/63°F)

Food Pairing: Due to its structure, we recommend to match this wine with long cooked meals. Ideal to be joined with red meats, game and pasta.