

VINTAGE
2014



WINE PROFILE

FINCA ALTAMIRA

Altamira vineyard was planted in 1950 at the foothill of the Andes just below the Tunuyan River. Altamira is mountain with extreme weather. The growing conditions are so challenging and the soil profile so unique, that the tipicity of this Malbec goes beyond its normal descriptors. Orange peel and balsamic flavors combine harmoniously with the violets and red fruit notes typical from Malbec. Mineral notes and a sharp acidity give this wine a character of its own.

TECHSHEET

WINEMAKERS
Gustavo Rearte

VARIETAL COMPOSITION
100% Malbec

APPELLATION
Altamira (Uco Valley) at 1.050 metres or 3.500 feet of elevation.

SOIL
Aluvional Origin. It has a shallow (30 cm) surface of limestone combined with volcanic ashes. Below you find layers of eroded rocks (boulders) rich in volcanic sediments.

VINE TRAINING
VSP, 1.3 to 1.5 meters high

SUSTAINABLY FARMED
Highly sustainable.

VINEYARD YIELD
2,500 Kgs per hectare (1 ton per acre)

HARVEST DATE
March 21, 2014

ALCOHOL 14,3%

PH 3,68

ACIDITY 5,63 g/L

BRIX AT HARVEST 24

VINIFICATION /WINEMAKING PROCESS
Aerated pump-overs with soft sprinkling of the cap, followed by pressing at the end of and up to 4 days after fermentation as determined by daily tasting results. No filtering. Cold soaks, acid correction, bleed-offs and addition of enzymes were not used during vinification.

FERMENTATION
Fermented in cement tanks at a maximum temperature up to 93-95°F with extensive pumping over for better extraction.

MALOLACTIC
100% spontaneous in oak barrels.

OAK AND AGING
15 months in new (100%) French Oak Barrels.



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SCORES & AWARDS

Tim Atkin MW

97 PTS

"Achával Ferrer's seven hectares are divided into no fewer than 15 blocks, all planted in 1925. This attention to detail consistently results in a wine of remarkable essence, with rose petal aromas, no tannins and effortless concentration. Elegant and refined with chalky intensity. 2018-25"

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96 PTS

"The dried-meat and ripe-fruit character is very intense on the nose with hints of berries, tobacco and wet leaf. Full-bodied, dense and rich with wonderful energized fruit. Layered. Long and zesty finish. Better in 2020."

Antonio Galloni
vinous
explore all things wine

95 PTS

"Bright ruby. Knockout pure nose combines pungent scents of blackberry liqueur, smoky minerals, mocha and violet. Wonderfully plush, concentrated and seamless but not yet expressing itself. This penetrating Malbec displays subtle sweetness of berry fruit, saline minerality and strong soil character. A bit sweeter than the Finca Mirador but with every bit as much medicinal reserve. This wine too is clearly more accessible than the 2013 version. Very long, spicy, ripe and alive on the aftertaste, with a hint of violet lift. There's a wildness to this very savory wine that should become even more interesting as it ages."

Robert Parker
Wine Advocate

96+ PTS

WINEENTHUSIAST

93 PTS

Descor ChadOS

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