BENVENUTO DE LA SERNA MALBEC 2008



ABOUT BENVENUTO DE LA SERNA

Benvenuto de la Serna wines are made with estategrown fruit from our single vineyard located in one of the most prestigious wine regions of Argentina, Valle de Uco. A small family winery owned by Silvio Benvenuto, son of Italian wine-making immigrants, whose mission statement is to "make 100% estate and 100% handcrafted wines".

GEOGRAPHY & CLIMATE Valle de Uco | Mendoza | Argentina

Benvenuto de la Serna is located at 1100 meters above sea level. Tucked away in the western mostend of the Mendoza province, the region has semidesert climate where the bright sun shines throughout the year with very little rain fall. Located in the most pristine environment the water supply, essential for the vines in the desert, comes from fresh snowmelt off the Andes mountains directly next to the vineyard (literally).

VINEYARDS

The alluvial soil in this area is known for being extremely stony with predominately sand content, which allows the roots of the vines to reach incredibly deep into the ground while offering excellent drainage.

With very large temperature swings between the hot days and cool nights, the vines yield to elegant wines that are noted by the smooth textured red fruit, bright acidity as well rounded tannins.

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol %: 14.0 Acidity: 5.7 pH: 3.68 Sugar g/I: 2.9

Case production: 1200 cases Estate grown and bottled

100% Malbec

Barrel ageing: 12 months in new French and American barrels

TASTING NOTES

Deep red and purple colors with berries and plum aromas. Elegant and smoothly textured in the mouth with lingering long, finish.

WINEMAKER

Angel Mendoza (formerly of Trapiche for 20 + years)

RECONGITIONS

88 POINTS: Wine Spectator ('08) **90 POINTS**: Wine Enthusiast ('07) **90 POINTS/BEST BUY**: Wine and Spirits ('07)

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