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TERRAZAS DE LOS ANDES

Malbec, 2008

Our Terrazas wines are sourced from carefully selected vineyards in Mendoza. Each grape variety is cultivated at its ideal elevation above sea level, to express the pure tipicity of the varietal. These high quality wines are characterized by their intense fruity aroma and flavor, soft tannins and well-rounded structure.

Average Vineyard Age: 12 years

In 2008, winter temperatures were very low and this resulted in a decrease in fertility for almost all varieties. There is a marked decrease in yields per hectare. As a result, the year was of very good quality and, practically, it was not necessary to prune the vineyards to achieve the necessary concentration.

Spring weather was good. Bud growth and flowering were good. In January and February, the weather changed, there were heavy rainfalls and temperatures were moderate. This resulted in a slight delay in harvesting time, as compared to the prior year. In the case of white varieties, rainfalls did not affect the quality of our wines, as they had been previously pruned with a good distribution of clusters to avoid rotteness. There were no rainfalls during the rest of the season which may affect health, and mild temperatures, which facilitated a long maturation process, resulted in high-concentration, character, and mature wines. Malbec was marked by red fruit and violets, very good aromatic intensity and amazing color. For Cabernet, this was a year in which slow ripening resulted in very aromatic wine, with a eucalyptus, spices profile and well-structured mouthfeel. In the case of Merlot and Syrah, wines were concentrated, mature and expressive. For white varieties, such as Chardonnay, these conditions of cool temperature and high relative humidity during the ripening period resulted in very aromatic wines marked by tropical fruit and citrus together with good maturity and complex character wines.

Jantar no Jardim Grill, em 26 de outubro de 2010,