



2019

The year saw normal average temperatures with a slight drought. The vineyards were unaffected by damaging frosts, benefiting from optimal conditions at bud-break. The Zonda wind did not affect flowering, ensuring normal fruit set for all varieties. Ripening was excellent overall, resulting in higher acidity at harvest. Red varieties initially had an advanced cycle, followed by a plateau in ripening due to lower temperatures in February and March, leading to harvesting within the usual timeframe, or even a few days later. Harvesting was dictated by ripening rather than by the risk of early frosts, with very good overall health for the vineyards and a normal temperature range between 15 and 17°C, favoring the production of anthocyanins and aromas.

TERROIR

Alluvial soils of volcanic and granitic gravels

GRAPE VARIETIES

50% Malbec, 50% Côt

AGE OF THE VINES

20 years

DENSITY & YIELD

20 000 vines / ha

30 hl/ha

FIRST VINTAGE

2002

WINEMAKING

The Malbec was fermented in an integral vinification process, that is to say inside new 225 L barrels placed on top of a rotating system that allows a particularly gentle extraction. The Côt was fermented in 2,300 L concrete eggs. Both fermented with indigenous yeasts and no sulfites added.

AGEING

15 months in new barrels for the Malbec,
18 months in 400L (Clayver) and 750L (Tava) for the Côt.



WINEMAKER'S NOTE

Intense garnet red color with crimson hues. Intense notes of red and black fruits in balance with the balsamic notes from its time in barrel. Complex, voluminous, ripe tannins, balanced, highlighting the black fruits and violet flower, leaving a long finish with empyreumatic notes. The floral freshness of the Côt and the elegant natural acidity of the Los Chacayes area stand out.

FOOD-PAIRING

Grilled pork ribs with herbs, roasted red meats, duck breast in sauce and hard cheeses.

AWARDS

2019

95^{pts} Descorchados
94^{pts} Tim Atkin
94^{pts} Wine Spectator
93^{pts} James Suckling
92^{pts} Wine Advocate

2018

95^{pts} Descorchados
95^{pts} James Suckling
94^{pts} Tim Atkin
93^{pts} Wine Spectator

2017

98^{pts} James Suckling
95^{pts} Descorchados
94^{pts} Wine Spectator
93^{pts} Wine Advocate
92^{pts} Vinous
93^{pts} Vinomanos

2015

97^{pts} James Suckling
96^{pts} Wine Spectator - TOP 8 of 2020
94^{pts} Wine Anroak
93^{pts} Tim Atkin
92^{pts} Wine Advocate

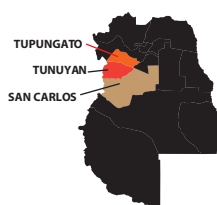
APPELLATION

Uco Valley - IG Los Chacayes

ARGENTINA



MENDOZA



VALLE DE UCO



MENDOZA
 ARGENTINA
 BODEGA
Piedra Negra
 FRANÇOIS LURTON