

GRAN FAMIGLIA BIANCHI MALBEC 2022

Uco Valley, Mendoza



TASTING NOTES: Intense and deep color with violet flashes. On the nose, intense aromas of cherries, fresh plums, spice, floral notes, and hints of vanilla and dark chocolate acquired during its aging of 10 months in French Oak. On the palate, it is initially sweet, fleshy, and with very good structure. Balanced acidity, with round and sweet tannins. Excellent now – and with great aging potential.

VITICULTURE: Gran Familia Bianchi was created as a tribute to the 90th anniversary of the winery. The vineyards are located in Vista Flores, in the renowned Los Chacayes area (Uco Valley), in the province of Mendoza, at an altitude of 3,600 feet above sea level. In addition to the outstanding quality of its soil of alluvial origin, this location offers a unique temperature range that produces wines of excellent color and exceptional organoleptic properties.

VINIFICATION: The grapes were hand-picked. Fermentation was completed at controlled temperatures (peaking at 30° C and then maintained down at 27° C). 50% of the wine then spent ten months in French Oak barrels. The remaining 50% of the wine was left in stainless- steel tanks at controlled temperatures for 10 months. After bottling, the wine was aged an additional six months before release.

FAMILY: One dream. One family legacy. Two terroirs. Since 1928, these three pillars have been the lasting values that have guided Argentina's Bodegas Bianchi for four generations. This family-owned winery is situated in the sub-regions of both the Uco Valley and San Rafael.

San Rafael is one of only two DOCs in Argentina. It's farther south than the Uco, so the climate tends to be a bit warmer, with sandy soils and lower altitudes. However, the east-west orientation of the mountain ranges allows for a funneling of cool air from the Andes resulting in longer hangtime for the grapes. Bodegas Bianchi is a leader in San Rafael, producing wines with excellent structure and complexity.

PRODUCER: Bodegas Bianchi

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

REGION: Uco Valley, Mendoza

GRAPE(S): 100% Malbec

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