



MONTCALM
WINE IMPORTERS, LTD



Argentina



WINERY	Bodega Benegas
WINE	Estate Malbec
COUNTRY	Argentina
REGION	Mendoza
VARIETAL	100% Malbec
LOCATION OF VINEYARDS	La Encerrada Vineyard, Tupungato, Uco Valley
ALTITUDE	1450mt asl (4750ft)
VINIFICATION	Vinified in cement vats and aged in medium-toasted French oak barrels for 12 months.
ALCOHOL CONTENT	15%
OENOLOGIST	Federico Benegas Lynch
NOTES	This wine belongs to the winery's estate line with grapes sourced from estate-owned vineyards. La Encerrada vineyard was acquired in 2010. it is a total of 70 hectares located in the Gualtayarí district in the Uco Valley (Tupungato). The temperatures are warm during the summer but cool off dramatically at night (with temperature differences of up to 30F between day and night) which help the development of polyphenols. This vineyard is planted with mostly Malbec.

TASTING NOTES

This elegant Malbec displays deep color and great aromatic intensity. Ripe red fruit flavours enhanced by complex notes given by the medium toasted barrels. Full and balanced in the mouth with rounded tannins. Malbec is best enjoyed with rich meat dishes, *asado*, grilled steaks and hearty stews. Also excellent with beef or cheese filled empanadas.

ABOUT THE WINERY

Bodega Benegas is the result of Federico Benegas Lynch's effort and passion. The current owner, Federico was born and grew up on the historic 'El Trapiche' winery which had been founded by his grandfather Tiburcio Benegas in 1883. The property stayed with the family for 4 generations until it was sold in the 1970's. It was in 1998 that Federico was able to fully return to his own wine business when he bought "La Libertad" vineyard located in the Upper Mendoza River Bank, an old family estate and an exclusive old winery that had belonged to his mother's family. The winery, built in 1901 in the traditional 'adobe' style (mud and straw mixed) is one of the few historic relics in the area. Federico restored it preserving its original details and fitted it with the necessary technology to produce excellent wines. Blessed with excellent grapes sourced from top sites and old vines, Benegas offers a full range of Argentine wines that are sure to please all palates and pockets.

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