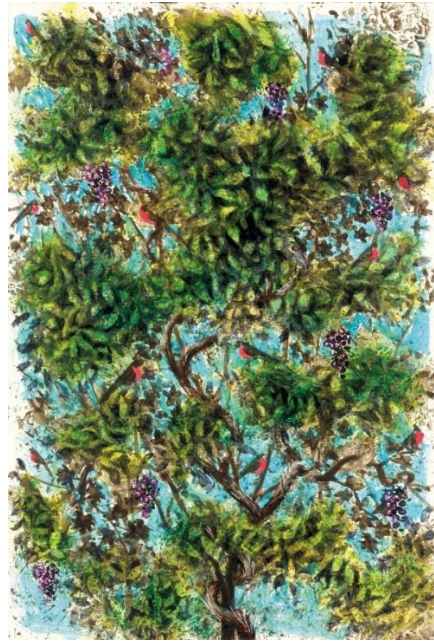




FINCA LAS CUCHILLAS 2021

IG San Pablo, Tunuyán, Valle de Uco. 1400 m | 4593 ft.



FINCA | SINGLE VINEYARD WINES

Due to its altitude and proximity to the mountains, San Pablo (especially where Finca Las Cuchillas is located) is one of the coldest places in the Uco Valley. This condition prevented the area from developing vineyards until not so many years ago, as it had a pastoral livestock history that we know in Mendoza as "*invernada*" (winter grazing).

Our arrival at Finca Las Cuchillas was motivated by the search for that cold climate and its calcareous soils, with a focus on producing white wines and different styles of red wines.

The vineyard's name refers to the mountain ridges that run from west to east in that area, known as "*cuchillas*" (blades). I like to think that our vineyard

is a balcony to observe these typical features of this mountainous region.

Finca Las Cuchillas was planted starting in 2013, specifically in San Pablo Estancia at an altitude of 1400 meters above sea level. It is a place with a cold climate, frequent and severe frosts, which always presents a great challenge. Its soils are alluvial with a high concentration of stones, mostly granite, covered by a thick layer of calcareous material that defines the structure and texture of the wines. It is a place with late budbreak and slow ripening, one of the key factors for this wine.

This 100% Chardonnay is an authentic mountain wine. It is fresh, sharp, and clearly expresses the austerity and severity of the region.

Sebastián Zuccardi



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2021

ORIGIN

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SOIL PROFILE

This vineyard is located just 600 meters away from the foot of the mountains. Its identity is related to the cold and extreme climate, with very low minimum temperatures. Trees and streams abound in the landscape, a true oasis in the foothills. Its alluvial soils originated from the Las Tunas River and have a layer of medium-sized gravel covered with calcium carbonate at approximately one meter of depth.

HARVEST

2021 was a great harvest. With cool and humid weather, the grape clusters had the necessary time to reach maturity with a perfect balance of sugar and acidity, and a strong tannin structure. Our meticulous work of separating plots and soil types for harvesting (which has been ongoing for over a decade) allowed us to harvest every corner of our vineyards at the perfect moment and thus showcase the great diversity that characterizes the Uco Valley.

VINIFICATION

Selection of bunches. Direct pressing.

Fermentation with native yeasts in concrete vessels.

Aging in concrete vessels.

No malolactic fermentation.

COMPOSITION

VARIETY: 100% Chardonnay

ALCOHOL: 13% vol.

TOTAL ACIDITY: 7,17 g/l

PH: 3,19

Sebastián Zuccardi, Winemaking Director
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