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PORTILLO
— SALENTEIN WINES —

MERLOT

COUNTRY Argentina
REGION Mendoza
GRAPES 100% Merlot

APPELLATION
NOTABLE

Valle de Uco
Vegan Gluten Free

DESCRIPTION

Situated on a high plateau in the Uco Valley of Argentina's Mendoza region, the Portillo (meaning "path" or "gateway") winery and vineyards are dedicated to making superb quality wines for everyday enjoyment. Harmony with nature is readily apparent in every aspect of this property, which is designed to deliver wines that capture and respect the pristine beauty of their birthplace. Portillo's state-of-the-art winery is largely built of local materials, including stones quarried from a nearby valley. This enables the facility to better blend in with the surrounding environment. Built on three levels, each 16 feet deep, with much of the facility concealed below ground, Portillo is also notable for its employment of a gravity-flow system. This minimizes handling of grapes and helps protect the integrity of the fruit. The facility's ingenious design, which takes careful advantage of the gentle slopes on which it is built, is thought to be unique in South America.

VINIFICATION

The grapes are hand-harvested to preserve the optimum freshness of the fruit. After destemming, the grapes are transferred to stainless steel tanks, where cold maceration takes place at a temperature of 45 -50°F. Fermentation lasts for 10 to 15 days.

COLOR

Deep crimson red

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Scents of cranberry and blackberry mingle with an intriguing hint of spice

PALATE

The palate bursts with soft cranberry and plum, followed by delicate, silky tannins

ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 14% TA: 5.20 g/l pH: 3.73 RS: 2.15 g/l

BOTTLE SIZE

750 ml

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

Well matched with pork, risotto dishes, steak with mushrooms and burgers



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