



SALENTEIN RESERVE CABERNET FRANC

COUNTRY Argentina
REGION Mendoza
GRAPES 100% Cabernet Franc

APPELLATION Valle de Uco
WINEMAKER Jose Galante



BACKGROUND

In the remote upper reaches of Argentina's Uco Valley on the eastern slopes of the Andes, Bodegas Salentein produces a remarkable collection of wines from vineyards planted at some of the highest elevations on the planet. From this lofty outpost, 65 miles south of the bustling city of Mendoza, Argentina's winemaking capital, Bodegas Salentein has forged an international reputation for its fine wines. Each year, growing numbers of curious wine lovers are drawn to this spectacular location, intent on discovering and experiencing the beauty and ethos of Bodegas Salentein for themselves. Established in the late 1990s, Salentein is a privately-owned estate of almost 5,000 acres, of which 1,124 acres are planted to vine. The property includes a world-class winery and cellars, a 125-acre nature preserve, the showpiece Killka Center for Culture and the Arts, a nearby lodge (the Posada Salentein, offering an elegant and relaxing retreat into nature), and the landmark Chapel of Gratitude, a non-denominational chapel of ascetic loveliness, built using ancient local stonework techniques.

PRODUCTION AREA

Uco Valley, Los Arboles, Mendoza. Grapes are sourced from El Oasis vineyards on the Salentein estates, planted in 1999 at 3,608 feet above sea level.

DESCRIPTION

COLOR: Ruby red color.

NOSE: Aromas of roasted red pepper, spices, such as black pepper, and subtle minty notes.

TASTE: Soft and silky tannins on the palate with notes of black fruits and tobacco.

VINIFICATION

Fermentation was developed at a controlled temperature between 78°F and 84°F for 10-12 days, with pump-over. Maceration continues for 20-23 extra days and then the wine is racked. Approximately 70% of the wine is transferred to oak casks, and the rest, to stainless steel tanks, where malolactic fermentation takes place.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 14.5% TA: 5.8 pH: 3.75 RS: 2.0



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