

# Bemberg 'La Linterna' Malbec - Chañar Punco

COUNTRY	REGION	GRAPE	VINTAGE
Argentina	Mendoza	Malbec	2015

#### **ABOUT THE DOMAINE**

The Bemberg family have established Bemberg Estate with the ambition of producing the finest wines in Argentina. With an ultra-selective approach to the very best micro-terroirs, from Salta to Mendoza, Daniel Pi, one of the most respected winemakers in Argentina, is crafting a unique wine collection that represents the pinnacle of what each region can offer. Carefully hand-harvested, each grape variety is fermented in stainless steel with indigenous yeasts, maintaining the authenticity of site origin, prior to maturation in French oak barrels. These estate hallmarks allow a smooth, rounded texture across the range, with deep fruit concentration and inimitable complexity.

#### **WINEMAKING**

Clusters are hand harvested in 18 kilogram boxes from the best rows of the plot. The winemaking process starts with barrelling of the harvested product with the use of 10% of whole clusters. Spontaneous fermentation takes place in the barrel with this vineyard's typical native yeast. During primary fermentation, soft pumping over and delestage processes are carried out on a daily basis. Towards the end, traditional maceration is conducted. After this, the wine is poured to French oak foudres, thus starting its ageing process. Ageing for 18 months in new French oak barrels. To preserve intact all the wine features, bottling is performed without stabilizing or filtering. After a certain length of time, it is possible to find little natural sediments that will not affect this wine's features.

## TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol 14.5%

### **TASTING NOTES**

Vibrant and powerful in its highly characterful intensity and purity of expression. Brooding blackberry and blueberry fruit, caramelized cherry, warmed raspberry and dried cranberries intermingle with a charismatic inky, meaty blackness. Fragrant violets and roses charmingly contrasts dried spices, liquorice, herbs and a seductive undercurrent of earthy, smoky, mineral graphite. Brightness of acidity and finely structured tannins are nicely balanced by velvety texture and chalky powder. A youthful and energetic wine with a strong self-confidence which will benefit from further bottle maturation for optimizing harmony and integration.

