Bodegas Luminis / Allamand

Cristian Allamand, our viticultor, winemaker, and founder of the company, is one of the few winemakers in Argentina that spends more time working on the vineyards that originate our wines than at the winery making the wines. The concept of Estate and terroir driven wines in Argentina are completely new and very few wineries are truly making wines under this philosophy. We, at Luminis, and through the tireless work of Cristian, become one of those few, making wines from very specific regions and from vineyards he works, and/or directs, with the whole purpose of making wines with a different personality, with a true sense of place, wines that are respectful and honest to their origin. The personal touch that Cristian brings to those places where we grow grapes is one that searches for the elegance, for the natural acidity, for the subtleties of aromas. In sum, Luminis' wines will show you a different aspect of grape growing and winemaking in Argentina.



"During the last 10 years, Valle de Uco has become the most important sub-region in Mendoza for high-quality wine related investments, presenting today approximately 20,000 hectares planted to mainly high-quality varietals (both red and white). Historically, Malbec and Semillon were the traditional varieties found in Valle de Uco. Today, and due to the expansion, the valley is experiencing, a myriad of fine wine grape varieties grows all across the valley.

The main characteristic of this sub-region, in general, is the high natural acidity that can be found in wines made from Valle de Uco fruit (hence, more aging potential.) As distinctive, and due to the high altitudes, wines from this valley also present very deep and intense colors. Particularly when talking about Malbec, the evident and very characteristic floral (violet) aroma is also another distinction that the valley provides to its Malbecs."

Altamira Malbec





Varietal/Blend: Malbec

Farming Practices: conventional **Vineyard**: Finca Fico Villafañe

Vineyard Size: 10 ha Elevation: 3,300 ft.

Soil: reactive calcareous soils with large stones

and "ocean floor" characteristics

Vine Training: VSP

Harvest Technique: by hand in 15kg bins

Year Vines Were Planted: 1997

Yeast: selected

Fermentation: started in stainless steel

Malolactic: yes

Maturation: 14 months in first, second, and third

year oak barrels / 9 months in bottle

Alcohol: 14% Fined: no Filtered: yes

Country: Argentina **Region**: Valle de Uco

Subregion: Altamira, La Consulta

"Reaching almost 3,300 feet above sea level and located only 20 kilometers outside the capital of the province of Mendoza, Luján de Cuyo is, as its city slogan says, "The Land of Malbec." Located on a lower altitude valley and experiencing higher temperatures across the year, Luján de Cuyo tends to produce more "masculine" wines when compared with those coming from the Valle de Uco area. Our objective, here at Luminis, is to capture these differentiators and offer them through our Luján de Cuyo line of wines."

Winemaker's notes

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