

HISTORIC VINEYARDS
NICO
by
LUCA



Named for Laura's daughter, Nicola. Nico by Luca is a single vineyard wine from a very special vineyard in La Consulta. Laura has known the Rosas family since the 1990. The vineyards are in the short French style with the naturally low yields that come from age. The vineyard was planted in 1939.



Vintage: 2012

Varietal Composition: 100% Malbec

Vineyard Locations: La Consulta, Uco Valley. (Rosas Vineyard)

Avg. Vineyard Elevation: 3,500 feet

Avg. Age of Vines: 77 years

Oak Regimen: 24 months in 40% new French barrels of 500 liters and 60% in second use barrels of 500 liters (first use with Chardonnay).

Alcohol: 14%

pH: 3,75

T.A.: 5,50

Total Case production: 2.500 Bottles

Tasting Notes & Food Pairing Suggestions

Dark red color with deep purple shades. Dense and concentrated but never loses its ability to exude the red and black fruits and spice that are the true expression of Malbec in Mendoza. This is a huge wine that is a blend of old-vine grapes from 2 of Mendoza's most respected growers, located in two different districts. While you certainly could drink this now, it will improve considerably with 5-7 years in the bottle. If you do drink it now, decant a few hours before drinking.



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