



MENDEL

LUNTA Malbec

TECHNICAL SHEET - 2026

MALBEC 100 %

Mayor Drummond vineyards, Luján de Cuyo.

VINEYARD

- Property: Mayor Drummond, Luján de Cuyo and Paraje Altamira.
- Altitude: Luján de Cuyo at 980 meters above sea level and Paraje Altamira at 1,100 meters above sea level.
- Year of planting: 1928 and 2012.
- Malbec selection: Luján and Paraje Altamira.
- Yield: 7,500 kilos per hectare.

HARVEST

- Harvest Date: Third week of March 2026.
- Hand-harvested in 18-kilo crates. Bunches are selected in the vineyard.
- Characteristics of the year: The 2026 vintage was characterized by moderate yields and outstanding quality, marked by a cold winter, late frosts, and a summer with moderate temperatures and higher rainfall. The frosts led to reduced yields, while the lower temperatures, particularly during February, favored slow and balanced ripening, allowing the grapes to retain excellent freshness and aromatic expression. The red wines show great color intensity, concentration, fruit expression, and ripe, well-rounded tannins, while the whites stand out for their aromatic intensity, freshness, and balance. Overall, the combination of lower yields and extended ripening resulted in wines with strong varietal identity, balance, and very good ageing potential, making 2026 one of the most interesting vintages of recent years.

WINEMAKING

- Berry selection at the sorting tables.
- Fermentation in 80-hectoliter tanks; manual pigeage during the first weeks.
- Total maceration time, three weeks.
- Pneumatic pressing at low pressure.
- Malolactic fermentation in tanks and barriques.
- 50 % of the wine is aged in second- and third-use French oak barrels for 12 months; the other 50% is aged in stainless steel tanks.
- Mild clarification, no filtering.
- Bottled in February 2027.

TASTING NOTES

-Color: Intense ruby red.

-Nose: Very fruity and intense. Prevailing red and black fruit aromas of raspberries, plums and blackberries are backed by floral scents of violets. The ageing in French oak contributes touches of vanilla and caramel, granting superb intensity.

-Palate: It is a gentle, fruity and easy-to-drink wine. Fruit and floral undertones and pleasant acidity contribute intensity, freshness and zest. Ripe, soft tannins confer body and balance to this wine.

Best served: 14 °C - 16 °C.

Alcohol: 14.2% v/v.

Volume: 750 ml.

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