

## **DOMINIO DEL PLATA** **2017 Crios Malbec**

### **Tasting Notes**

Beautiful reddish/purple colour. The aromas are a mix of freshly crushed black cherries and toasty/smoky oak-- just enough to frame the exuberant fruit. On the palate, the flavours of cherries and spice are obvious, and the jammy fruit quality just keeps coming on strong, with hints of spice and sandalwood lurking in the background.

Food Pairing: This wine can be consumed at almost any occasion, by itself or with a large range of food: roasted beef, barbecues.

### **Technical Data**

Varietal: 95% Malbec, 5% Bonarda

Alcohol: 14%

pH: 3.68

Acidity: 5.2 g/L

Region: Mendoza

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**Rated 93, Paz Levinson, decanter.com, May 31, 2018**

*"What a cracking wine! Black plum and violet aromas lead to a fresh and crunchy palate, with balanced alcohol. Fresh, pure - and amazing value. Patricio Tapia: Incredible value here. This is a pure expression of Malbec, with aromas of violets and filled with cherry notes. An impressive expression of the grape. Drinking Window: 2018-2020."*

Available through Vintages: LCBO +162529

**Rated 90 & Best Value Wine, Natalie MacLean, January 5, 2019**

*"Dominio del Plata Susana Balbo Crios 2017 is a full-bodied 100% Malbec from the Mendoza wine region. The wine was fermented in stainless steel tank and a portion was also matured in neutral French oak barrels for nine months. "Crios" on the label means offspring. The label features a series of three connected and overlapping hands, an image inspired by a Mayan artifact. The three hands represent Susana and her two children. Enjoy now and for the next three years. Tasty and full-bodied Argentine red wine with black fruit and toasty smoke aromas. Supple and smooth."*

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**Rated 90, James Suckling, April 5, 2018**

*"Violets, morello cherries, dried lavender, citrus and some herbs. Fresh and fruity on the palate with pretty acidity, juicy tannins and a succulent finish. Drink now"*

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**Rated 90, Luis Gutiérrez Wine Advocate, June 29, 2018**

*"The 2017 Críos Malbec saw a change in the range, where the oak staves have been discontinued and only 30% percentage of the wine aged in well-seasoned neutral oak barrels. This is perfumed and juicy, with nice ripeness and a tasty palate. It is very accessible and comes from a typical vintage in which the wine managed to maintain moderate alcohol. 350,000 bottles produced. 2017 was a low-yielding year, the second shortest in the last few years"*

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**Rated 88, Stephen Tanzer, Vinous.com, July 2018**

*"Healthy dark red-ruby. Expressive aromas of raspberry, mocha and spices show noteworthy nuance for the price range. Juicy, spicy, very supple wine with good vinosity to its red fruit flavors. Savory, pleasant and quite suave."*

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**Rated 88, Michael Godel, Wine Align, December 18, 2018**

*"Grind your own burger wine alert. Malbec with juiciness, high acidity and some grip will do wonders alongside fresh chuck, simple seasoning and smoky cheddar. Put on the snow boots, fire up the grill and pour a glass. Post holiday heaven, spicy finish. Drink 2018-2020."*

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