

Versado

2013 Versado Malbec

Fascinating layered aromas of ripe blackberry, fig, dark cherry, cloves, and smoke. Big and chunky yet quite smooth - like a block of carved marble. Lush, dark, spiced fruit lingers on the lengthy finish. Bravo. Savour with marinated steaks or beef stews. ~ *VINTAGES panel*

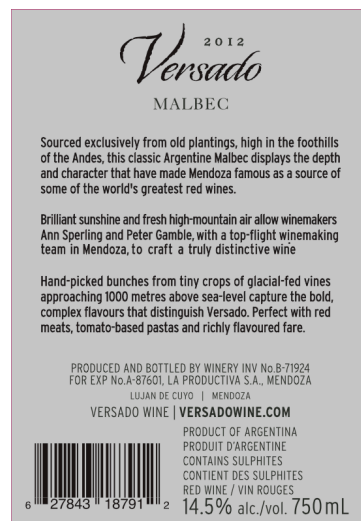
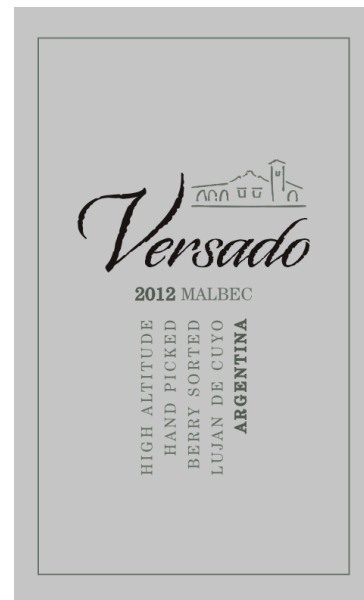
Score: 91. "The rocks beneath the earth precede the rich, dark fruit. After the berries and the candy beets and the spices subside the flowers grow and take over the room. The vintage brings more layers than before. Malbec of character and belief ... a coat that only the Southern Hemisphere can provide. It is not usually present in Mendoza Malbec so it's really a breath of fresh paint here in the Versado. Great purity. Protracted length. Most expansive and intriguing vintage to date." ~ *Michael Godel, WineAlign and godello.ca*

Score: 91. "Hard to call this 'entry level' but it is the junior partner in the modest Versado lineup. It's wild fermented in concrete vats and made using 'very little' manipulation before aging in older French oak barrels. It has a beautiful nose of rich black currants, plums, raspberry, blueberry, kirsch and smoky/spicy notes. It's a full-bodied Malbec on the palate with layers of dark fruits, sweet oak spices and touches of integrated herbs, licorice and savoury notes through a long finish that's supported by fine tannins, structure and bright acidity." ~ *Rick VanSickle, Wines in Niagara*

Alc.: 13.8%

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A year in the vineyard

The 2013 season was warm-to-hot and long. The warm conditions in spring meant good flowering and full clusters, so despite our usual thinning regime, crop was slightly higher than normal. Early predictions were for an early harvest, however some cooling off took place after veraison to lengthen and normalize the ripening period. Quality was good to excellent with typical varietal flavours in full effect. The vineyard handling has resulted in three distinct batches meeting and exceeding our expectations for quality at each level. Since berry sorting was going so smoothly and with a very conscientious team, we included all levels for this treatment.

Availability

Ontario

- LCBO Vintages release: Feb. 18, 2017 #317008
- Cru Wine Merchants, Charles Baker, 905.401.1806

Quebec

Delaney Vins & Spiriteux, Isaac Delaney, 514.575.6529