



Bodega Noemia de Patagonia

J. Alberto from Bodega Noemia is a Patagonian wine that delves deep into the terroir of Rio Negro Valley, offering a 95% Malbec blend with Merlot that combines dark fruit intensity, minerality, and fine tannins.

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Alcohol :14,00 %

Composition: 95% Malbec, 5%
Merlot

J. Alberto 2022

Patagonia, Argentina

Region and Vineyards

The **Rio Negro Valley** in northern Patagonia is one of the most southerly wine regions in the world, and the J. Alberto vineyard embodies this remote and unique terroir. This **4.5-hectare vineyard** is located on the north bank of the Rio Negro at **240 meters above sea level**. Here, the soils, a mix of **sand, gravel, riverbed, and fluvial deposits on limestone**, provide excellent drainage and support for the roots to grow deep, imbuing the wine with minerality and structure.

Established with a **massal selection**, this vineyard is organically certified by **Eccert** and divided into five zones that are harvested at different stages of ripeness. Vines are **trained using double Guyot**, maximizing sunlight exposure, and enhancing fruit concentration. The vineyard's meticulous care and organic approach produce fruit that captures the intense character of Patagonia's rugged landscape.

Winemaking

The **J. Alberto** is crafted with **95% Malbec** and **5% Merlot**. Hand-harvested in March, the grapes undergo gentle maceration and fermentation in **small stainless steel fermenters**. Malolactic fermentation further softens the wine and adds layers of complexity.

The wine is then aged for **15 months in cement tanks and stainless steel**, preserving its freshness and minerality, with a portion aged in French oak barrels for subtle integration. This careful approach highlights the wine's terroir, keeping its vibrant acidity and purity intact. Before release, J. Alberto is bottle-aged for an additional **six months**, ensuring a refined structure and balance.

Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Deep violet with inky tones.
- **Aroma:** Intense bouquet of blackberry, black raspberry, and boysenberry, with earthy and graphite nuances.
- **Palate:** Structured and elegant, with long tannins and balanced acidity. The finish is persistent, with a touch of minerality and a hint of salinity, underscoring the wine's Patagonian roots.



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Did you know?

J. Alberto is named in honor of a beloved family member, adding a personal touch to this wine, which reflects the estate's dedication to purity and terroir. The vineyard's commitment to organic and biodynamic practices, alongside selective massal propagation, allows Bodega Noemia to produce a wine that is a true reflection of its unique Patagonian environment.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Blackberry-Balsamic Glazed Duck Breast:** The wine's dark fruit and graphite notes meld beautifully with the tangy sweetness of the blackberry glaze, enhancing the duck's rich flavor.
- **Miso-Marinated Grilled Aubergine (Eggplant):** The umami and smoky flavors of miso and grilled aubergine highlight the wine's depth, creating a savory, unexpected pairing.
- **Juniper-Spiced Venison Stew:** The earthy spice of juniper matches the berry intensity and minerality of the wine, adding a unique twist that complements the J. Alberto's structure.
- **Caviar and Truffle Crostini:** For an adventurous pairing, the wine's saline finish and fine tannins pair surprisingly well with delicate caviar and earthy truffle, offering a luxurious and textured experience.

James Suckling (JS) : 94 Points (2021)



A full-bodied red with olives, blackberries, wild blueberries, mussel shells and hints of licorice on the nose. Fresh and creamy, structured too, with a delicious saline minerality and fine, tea-like tannins. Drink or hold.

Wine Enthusiast (WE) : 92 Points (2021)



This is a vigorous Malbec that opens with aromas of pomegranates and cranberries. Crisp and full-bodied, the palate is full of dark cherries, mulberries, black pepper and aniseed. A sturdy frame supports the savory fruit and spices.

Vinous (Antonio Galloni) (VN) : 94 Points (2020)



The 2020 Malbec J Alberto is a Malbec with a 5% dash of Merlot from an old vineyard first planted in 1935 in Mainqué, Río Negro. Half aged in cement and 600 liter barrels, the rest was kept in stainless steel. Bright purple in the glass, fresh cherries are intertwined in the nose with violets, black tea and hints of country herbs as part of a substantial but delicate profile. The aging process plays a supporting role but offers no more than a faint whiff of orange petit fours. On the palate, the balance is precise with delicate weights and measures in which the flow is lean and releases an energy toward the end that fades entropically like a wind-up toy. An elegant wine.



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