

Ruta 22 Malbec

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: Argentina

REGION: Mendoza

APPELLATION: Mendoza

CEPAGE: 100% Malbec

WINEMAKING: Slow, cool fermentation over 7 days

AGING: Up to 2yrs in French & American Oak

THE STORY

450 years ago, Argentinian roads or "rutas" were plagued by bandits. The noblest "gauchos", brave and skilled horsemen, were recruited to Mendoza to protect the precious grapes of the region. And so was born Ruta 22.

All winemaking takes place under the direction and supervision of Piedra Negra Winery's founder, François Lurton, a world-renowned 5th generation 'flying winemaker' (Argentina, Chile, France, Spain, and Portugal).

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Intense, rich & juicy

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Dark fruit (blackberries and blueberries) with a hint of plum and mocha coffee

MOUTHFEEL: Smooth & round with very good acidity & firm tannins

