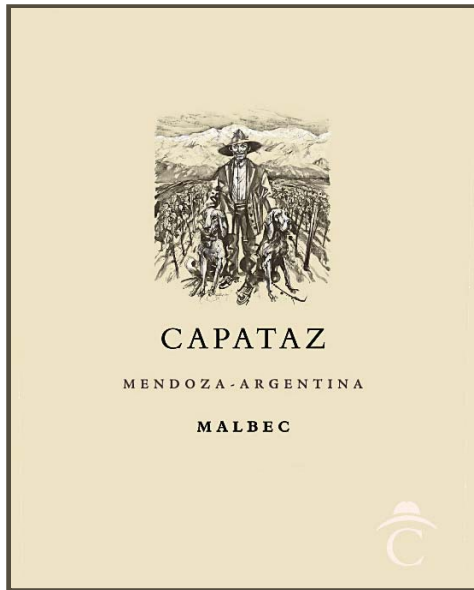


# 2012 VINTAGE | MALBEC CAPATAZ



## CAPATAZ STORY

Inspired by the distinctive, pure and rugged terroir of Mendoza's highly acclaimed wine country, partners Darioush Khaledi from Napa Valley and Capataz estate vineyard owner Aria Mehrabi continue to explore the further potential of this great winegrowing region. In 2007 they set out to farm and acquire limited amounts of high-elevation Malbec to produce a wine that balances this regions traditionally expressive varietal character in a rich, complex and age-worthy style. Each release of Capataz is comprised of 100% Malbec sourced from three vineyard estates in Lunlunta, Agrelo and Tupungato, ranging from 14 to over 70 years vine age. Nestled in the Andean foothills, and farmed by both local experts and Darioush winemaker Steve Devitt, these vineyards offer a combination of rocky well-drained soil, high altitude, lower yields and cool climate— all exemplary for crafting Argentina's most treasured wine varietal.

## TASTING NOTES

With an inky purple hue heralding depth and concentration, the 2012 Capataz comes from a vintage that saw mild temperatures and an even-keeled growing season. The wine takes off with aromatic fruit notes of blueberry and cranberry mingled with warm scents of fresh-baked baguette and graham cracker. In the soft, supple mouth hints of sweet tobacco, milk chocolate, and violet add complexity to the solid core of dark cherry and raspberry flavors. This is a deeply saturated wine with smooth tannins and a lingering, viscous finish.

VINTAGE	2012
COMPOSITION	100% Malbec
APPELLATION	Capataz vineyards in Luján, Maipú and Valle de Uco - Mendoza, Argentina
COOPERAGE	Taransaud French oak barrels, medium toast
WINEMAKER	Steve Devitt
AVAILABILITY	1560 cases
RELEASE PRICE	\$35.00

