

MANOS NEGRAS

Latitude Winemaking



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Real winemakers get their hands dirty. Hands black with wine. That's how we make these hand-crafted wines. Rolling up our sleeves and getting our hands dirty. Manos Negras focuses on latitude winemaking. Argentina and Chile's winemaking regions stretch 1,500 miles north to south along the Andes. Each latitude possesses a unique *terroir* with singular combinations of soil and temperature which are ideally suited for different varietals.

Manos Negras uses the unique skills of three immigrants to Argentina-New Zealand winemakers Duncan Killiner and Jason Mabbett, and American wine educator Jeff Mausbach- as well as the renown Argentine viticulturist and winemaker Alejandro "Colo" Sejanovich to craft wines based on exciting *terroir*-varietal combinations.

Chile

Manos Negras Carmenere (Colchagua, Chile)

89 points ('11), Beverage Testing Institute;

"Highly Recommended" ('09), The Frugal Wine Snob

Rich aromas of ripe cherry, dusty earth, and bright and fresh red fruits. Meaty and well-balanced.

Manos Negras Sauvignon Blanc (Casablanca, Chile)

92 points & Best Buy ('11), Beverage Testing Institute.

Outstanding aromas and flavors of citrus, key lime, and minerals. Very complex with excellent depth and clarity. Steely and fresh.

Argentina

Manos Negras Malbec (Paraje Altamira, Mendoza, Argentina)

90 pts & Year's Best Argentine Malbec ('15), Wine & Spirits;

89 points ('13 & '14), Wine Advocate:

"Ripe black cherries, charred, roasted notes and a strong violet aroma that makes it quite showy. **Great Malbec at a great price.**"

88 points & "Best Buy" ('12), Wine & Spirits.

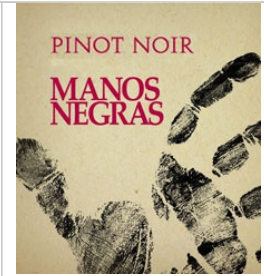
Manos Negras Malbec was featured on the cover of the April 2013 Decanter.



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Manos Negras Pinot Noir (Añelo, Patagonia, Argentina)
89+ points ('14), Wine Advocate; 91 pts ('12), Tim Atkin MW:
“The latest Pinot Noir releases from this young bodega confirm its promise as one of the best producers in Patagonia. This Chañar-sourced red is silky, sweet and well balanced, with red cherry fruit complemented by texture from old oak ageing.”

90 points ('08), Wine Advocate.



Manos Malbec Stone Soil Select (Paraje Altamira, Mendoza)
91 points ('12), 90 points ('11), Wine Advocate:
“Exhibits a restrained nose with balsamic notes, black fruit, some peat (soil) and smoke. The medium-bodied palate is quite fresh with fine tannins, delineated flavors and a balsamic aftertaste. **A great Malbec at a super price.**”

91 points & “Highly Recommended” ('10), Decanter;
90 points & a “Year's Best Malbec” ('10), Wine & Spirits.

Paraje Altamira has a very diverse soil profile, with a patchwork of sandy, silty and stony soils all present in the same vineyard. The stony soils contain a high content of surface stones – round rocks that are literally painted white with calcium carbonate. These patches of stony soil are very low in organic material and very high in mineral content. Their poor profile naturally brings down yields for exceptional concentration of aromas and flavors. The Manos Negras Stone Soil Select Malbec is made entirely from select Malbec grapes from these patches of stone soils.



Manos Negras Pinot Noir Red Soil Select (Añelo, Patagonia)
91 points ('12), Wine Advocate;
93 points ('11), Tim Atkin MW; 89 points ('11), Wine Advocate:
“A selection from the redder, but poorer soils within the vineyard, which are less deep and produce lower natural yields. The color is bright red, and the wine has ripe notes of red cherries with good intensity and some spicy tones, a light but powerful palate with good acidity and more concentration.”

92 points ('10), Tim Atkin MW.

The vineyard is located in a river bank that slopes down to the Neuquen river, with different soil textures up and down the embankment. There are patches of brighter red soils in the vineyard which are very low in organic material and very high in iron mineral content. Their poor profile naturally brings down yields for exceptional concentration of aromas and flavors. These red patches impart exceptional complexity to the Pinot Noir fruit. The Manos Negras Red Soil Select Pinot Noir is made entirely from select Pinot Noir grapes from these patches of bright red soils.

