

# TAPIZ

San Pablo, Valle de Uco, Mendoza

*"Take Note—This is a Winery to Follow"*

-Sommelier Journal

Tapiz is one of the most renowned and awarded Argentine wineries. Winemaker Fabian Valenzuela was joined by Jean Claude Berrouet in 2012. Jean Claude is the recently-retired winemaker of Petrus, having presided over 44 vintages at this revered Bordeaux winery. Tapiz is proud that Jean Claude chose to work with them exclusively in Argentina. All of the Tapiz fruit comes from the winery's famed San Pablo vineyard in Mendoza's Uco Valley. San Pablo is one of the highest altitude vineyards in Mendoza (4,600 feet above sea level). This extreme altitude provides for warm days which impart concentration to the grapes, and cold nights which give natural acidity. The state-of-the-art winery is located in the vineyard.

Fabian and Jean Claude work together to create a beautiful *tapiz* (tapestry) between the wine's lush fruit and its oak aging. These full-bodied yet elegant wines have the acidity and complexity to drink on their own or complement food. As Restaurant Wine exclaimed: "Tapiz is a very consistent producer of excellent wines."

**A Wine & Spirits Top 100 Winery (2017)**

**A Wine Spectator 60 Smart Buy Go-To Winery for Excellence and Affordability (2018)**

## **Tapiz Malbec Alta Collection**

**94 points, 95 points, and 95 points, James Suckling ('15, '14, '13);**

**91 points & Year's Best Malbec, Wine & Spirits ('14)**

**91 points & Smart Buy & Top Value, Wine Spectator ('15):**

"Explosively fruity, this is redolent of blackberry compote, with notes of dried blackberry and dark currant. Fresh and juicy on the intensely spicy finish."

## **Tapiz Cabernet Sauvignon Alta Collection**

**93 points and 96 points ('15, '14), James Suckling;**

**2016's #1 Best Value Wine Under \$50 ('14), James Suckling;**

**91 points, Wine & Spirits ('14); 91 points, Stephen Tanzer ('11):**

"...fat, ripe and sweet in the mouth, with a sexy leesy complexity to the deep flavors of blackberry, mocha, chocolate, herbs and licorice. Creamy, mouthcoating wine with substantial ripe tannins and lingering notes of cassis, licorice and herbs.... **An extraordinary value.**"

## **Tapiz Chardonnay Alta Collection**

**91 points ('15), Wine Advocate; 90 points ('14), James Suckling;**

Hand-picked from our "Alta" San Pablo vineyards located at 1,400 meters above sea level in the Uco Valley. Our Chardonnay is fruit-driven with bright flavors of tropical fruits, creamed pear, and kiwi. The mouthfeel is ample with hints of minerality. 6 months of oak aging adds lushness to this beautiful "tapestry."



### **Tapiz Malbec Rosé Alta Collection**

Obtained from cold maceration in contact with the Malbec grapes for 24 hours. No malolactic. A seductive nose of ripe red fruits and crisp mouth-feel.

### **Tapiz Sparkling Torrontés**

Método Champenoise. Citrus and delicate floral aromas are highlighted. Presents small bubbles that remain and provide freshness. The palate is balanced with a pleasant acidity which highlights its varietal origin.

### **Tapiz Selección de Barricas**

**94 points, Wine & Spirits ('12):**

“...a vibrant, refreshing red. A blend of cabernet sauvignon and malbec with merlot, syrah and cabernet franc, it’s grown at one of the highest points in the Uco Valley, the relatively cool temperatures allowing for a fresh dimension. Cabernet sauvignon’s sweet cassis fruit and minty notes dominate while malbec shows its violet and cherry notes with a flamboyant energy...”

### **Tapiz Black Tears Malbec**

**94 points and Top 100 Wine of the Year, ('11); 93 points Wine Enthusiast ('12); 93 points and Editors' Choice, Wine Enthusiast ('10):**

"..Graphite, lemon peel, cedar and blackberry aromas are lusty and high in quality. A flashy, fresh, slick mouthfeel is the perfect vessel for toasty, dark blackberry, coconut, vanilla and mocha flavors. The mocha note persists on the finish, which is juicy and fresh but also thick and chewy. "

### **Tapiz Las Notas de Jean Claude**

**94 points, Wine Advocate ('12);**

**94 points & Editors' Choice, Wine Enthusiast ('12).**

Very limited availability. The pinnacle of the Vino del Sol portfolio.



Fabian Valenzuela and Jean Claude Berrouet