Bodega El Bayeh Pequenos Parceleros Maimara Tinto 2021

Delicious!





The Manzur Family started Bodega el Bayeh in 2020 with consulting winemaker Matías Michelini. The winery and vineyards are located in the Quebrada de Humahuaca region inside of the Argentine Province of Jujuy in the Northwest corner of Argentina. This high mountain desert borders Bolivia and Atacama, Chile and is less than 50 miles from the Tropic of Capricorn! The winery works with families in small villages who farm microscopic parcels of Mission varietals, mainly Criolla Chica, Criolla Grande, and Moscatel. These tiny remnants of viticultural history date back to the early 1900's. Because of the extreme northerly latitude, most vines can only survive between 6,500 and 8,000 feet elevation, along riverbeds, mostly trained as pergolas, known as Parrals in Argentina. There are less than 10 hectares of Mission vines in all of Jujuy and most of these Parcelas are much less than 1 hectare, so very little wine is produced and even less makes it to the US. The Quebrada de Humahuaca is a UNESCO site that is part of the Camino Inca which shows substantial evidence of its use as a major trade route over the past 10,000 years. It features visible traces of prehistoric hunter-gatherer communities. Many of the Purmamarca Parcelas lie at the foot of the famous Siete Colores rock formation ranging from violet to green to purple. We are enamored with Bodega el Bayeh's beautiful wines of the far North of Argentina.



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