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**VINTAGE** 2016

**VARIETAL COMPOSITION**

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

**AVG. VINEYARD ELEVATION**

3,150 feet

**AVG. AGE OF VINES** 80 years

**ALCOHOL** 14%

**CASES IMPORTED** 300

**SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE** \$20

**UPC** 835603003031



C A S A R E N A

## ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

**Estate Cabernet that focuses on terroir diversity and exciting vineyard sites within the historic center of Mendoza winemaking.**

**WINERY BACKGROUND:** Casarena is forging a different path from the other wineries in Mendoza. Instead of searching for undiscovered terroirs in new places like the Uco Valley, it is discovering the hidden gems in its home region of Lujan de Cuyo—a place full of rich tradition, potential, and unique micro-terroirs. Casarena has purchased as well as planted vineyards in several distinctive sites, and they control all aspects of winegrowing and winemaking in order to maximize the flavor expression of these terroirs.

The name “Casarena” is a creative merging of the Spanish words “casa” (house) and “arena” (sand), and is a tribute to their restored 1930s winery made of sand-colored stone and the sandy soil that their estate is built on. Young and innovative winemaker Mariano Quiroga Adamo leads the charge with determination, creativity, and an enthusiastic sense of discovery.

**VINEYARD & WINEMAKING DETAILS:** Hand harvested from Owen’s Vineyard in the Agrelo region of Luján de Cuyo, Mendoza, which is an old pergola trellis system. Cold maceration for 4 days; total maceration 30-35 days. Selected yeast and spontaneous malolactic fermentation. Aged in French oak for 9 months.

**TASTING NOTES & FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** The nose shows aromas of red fruits with light notes of chocolate orange rind. The mouthfeel is full and well structured with sweet spice and vanilla notes from the French oak aging, and soft, finely grained tannins with excellent length. Its structure makes it an ideal pairing for tasty meats with sauces such as mushrooms and truffles.



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