

## Flaco Cabernet Sauvignon



Flaco Cabernet Sauvignon is a stunning value that is produced from grapes near the town of Toledo in central Spain, 60 miles south of Madrid. All the grapes that make this wine are 100% estate grown. The winery and vineyards were started in 2001 and are home to vast vineyards and stunning facilities. The Malpica estate is today's largest vineyard in Europe with 2,500 acres of vineyard land with an additional 1,500 acres to be planted in the coming years. The large size of this vineyard and the fact that they are owned by the same family, allows for great attention to quality in addition to great economies of scale. These vineyards located near Toledo are suited for growing high quality grapes. The lack of humidity and cold night temperatures produced consistently healthy balanced grapes.

**WHAT MAKES THIS WINE UNIQUE?:** Produced from estate owned grapes. Flaco Cabernet is made in Europe's largest vineyard (Malpica). The large size of this vineyard and the fact that they are owned by the same family, allows for great attention to quality in addition to great economies of scale making Flaco a great wine for a great price.

**RATING HISTORY:** 2014 89Vinous

**GRAPE:** 100% Cabernet Sauvignon. Vines planted in 2001. Tended in clay soil at 380 m (1,246 ft) elevation

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Try Flaco Cabernet with steak or alongside hearty stews.

**VINIFICATION AND AGEING:** Vinified at controlled temperatures of no more than 23C / 73F, with maceration during first stage of fermentation to extract color, aromas, and flavors. After 12 days the wine undergoes malolactic fermentation and then it spends 3 months in French oak barrels before bottling.

**PRODUCTION:** 20,000 cases

**LOCATION, SOIL, CLIMATE:** Located near the town of Toledo in central Spain at 380m (1246 ft) elevation. Tended in clay soil. The continental climate of this territory brings about cold nights and hot days; it is relatively dry allowing grapes to ripen well without any threats of humidity related diseases. The average temperature between April and October is 21C. (70F.) with 393 mm (15.5") of yearly rainfall.

**TASTING NOTES** Aromas of ripe red fruits, vanilla and pipe tobacco, with a peppery quality adding vivacity. Supple and open-knit, offering juicy raspberry and bitter cherry flavors and a hint of candied rose. Closes smooth and gently sweet, with lingering smokiness and easygoing tannins.

**ALCOHOL CONTENT:** 14.5%

**UPC CODE:** 8437013189132

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