



## CUVELIER LOS ANDES COLECCIÓN BLEND

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The origins of the Cuvelier family's wine exploits begin in Bordeaux in the early twentieth century with the purchase of Château le Crock in St. Estèphe in 1903. But, for many, they are best known for their ownership of Château Leoville Poyferré, which they bought in 1920.

In the 1990s, the family spread their wings as they turned their attention to Mendoza in Argentina, working first with Michel Rolland on his Clos de la Siete project. But, by 1999, they had begun to plant their own vineyards - Cuvelier los Andes - and produced their first wine under this estate in 2003. Michel Rolland continues to dutifully oversee the winemaking. Spare grapes are usually still sold off to Clos de la Siete.

**Grape Varieties:** 58% Malbec; 18% Cabernet Sauvignon; 12% Petit Verdot; 8% Syrah; 4% Merlot.

**Farming Practices:** Organic & Biodynamic

**Tasting Notes:** Aged for 12 months in French oak barrels this red delivers world class poise with a spicy flourish and aromas of blackberry, liquorice, bitter chocolate and a touch of violet.

**Awards:** 91pts - Wine Advocate. The nose is a powerful combination of dark plums, espresso coffee, Belgian chocolate and shy hints of red cherries with a full-bodied palate and abundant, fine-grained tannins, moderate acidity and good length, no doubt lifted by the alcohol. This is a big, ripe blend, slightly international, in need of some bottle aging.

**Sugar Level:** 1.7g/l

**Closure:** Natural Cork

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