



# BENMARCO

## Cabernet Sauvignon

### **The Philosophy**

Owner/viticulturist Pedro Marchevsky has degrees in Agriculture & Enology and Agricultural Engineering, and is a Professor of Irrigation and Drainage at the Universidad Nacional de Cuyo. He has managed vineyards in Mendoza for almost 30 years as well as his own vineyard in the district of Los Campamentos in eastern Mendoza, and he is widely considered the top viticulturist in Argentina. His philosophy is a simple one gained from experience: using grapes farmed using “precision viticulture”, make wines that are true to their place. His wines express the wonderful, powerful fruit flavors, the ripe tannins, the incredible length and balance that can only come from this one place—Mendoza. He works with his talented winemaker and wife, Susana Balbo, to produce his wines.

### **The Details**

Vintage:	2006
Varietal Composition:	90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Malbec
Vineyard Locations: (Department-District)	Lujan de Cuyo-Agrelo, San Carlos-Altamira
Avg. Vineyard Elev.:	3,280 feet
Avg. Age of Vines:	17 years
Rootstock:	Ungrafted
Harvest Method:	Hand-harvested
Oak Regimen:	10 months in 50% new French, 50% 1-year American barriques
Fining:	None
Filtration:	None
Alcohol:	14.0%
T.A.	5.70
Total Case Production:	1,000 cases

### **Tasting Notes/Food Pairing Suggestions**

Beautiful deep red color with perfumed aromas of ripe black cherries, strawberries and roasted cocoa beans. This wine is full-bodied and incredibly lush for a young Cabernet. It explodes on the palate with red and black fruits, then shows baking spices on its way to a mouthwatering finish. Pedro blended in some Merlot for greater complexity and to achieve better balance. Pairs well with a wide range of foods including beef, sausages, spiced or grilled pork, veal, rabbit, medium-strong cheeses, and meat-based pasta sauces.

### **About the Name/Label**

BenMarco means “son of Marcos” in Hebrew. Pedro produces his wines as an homage to his father, Marcos who taught him how to plant, tend, and love the vineyards. The row of grapevines illustrated on the label is modeled after the beautifully manicured vines that Pedro looks after on the winery’s estate vineyard.

