

DOMAINE NICO

Le Paradis 2021



DescoR ChadOS

96 POINTS

Le Paradis is a small, 1.1-hectare vineyard planted 1,500 meters above sea level in the highest part of Gualtallary. The vineyard's soils are rich in limestone, although in a compacted form known locally as "Indian cement," a mixture of sand, calcium carbonate, and gravel. This type of soil, plus the mountain climate, make this wine an austere pinot with floral and fruity tones as well as minerals. It was fermented with 50% whole clusters, which helped make the tannins more assertive, more present, and it also seems to provide more fruit, especially on the palate, where that sensation of sour cherries dominates. This is a tense wine with sharp acidity and delicate density, but with incisive tannins. A pinot close to a barolo.



Descorchados is the main reference for South American wines. Since 1999, this guide has been analyzing the wine scene in this part of the world, giving consumers and trade an overview of what Argentina, Chile and Uruguay produce, from the most expensive to the cheapest wines; from big wine companies to tiny artesanal producers. In order to expand our coverage, this year we have included the sparkling wines from Brazil, an amazing journey you must taste.



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