



**92 POINTS**

*James Suckling, March 2019*

**VINTAGE** 2017

**VARIETAL COMPOSITION**

100% Malbec

**AVG. VINEYARD ELEVATION**

3,090 feet

**AVG. AGE OF VINES** 22 years

**ALCOHOL** 13.9%

**CASES IMPORTED** 1,500

**SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE** \$15

**UPC** 835603003147

  
**CASARENA**

## AREYNA MALBEC 2017

Estate-grown Malbec that marks a moment in time in the evolution of Luján de Cuyo, a historic winemaking region undergoing modern transformation.

**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 Luján 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.

**VINEYARD & WINEMAKING DETAILS:** Hand-harvested from the Casarena estate vineyards in Luján de Cuyo. Fermented in 100% concrete tanks and aged for 6 months.

**TASTING NOTES & FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Aromas of raspberries and ripe red fruits. The mouth feel shows good concentration and structure, with a soft texture and sweet, round tannins. The wine has a long, lingering finish with fresh, lively acidity. Pairs well with bbq ribs, chicken wings, charcuterie, cheddar cheese.



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