

MONTE XANIC

Cabernet Sauvignon - Merlot 2006
Guadalupe Valley, Baja California, Mexico

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Winery Principals	Hans Backhoff, Richard & Mark Hojel, Eric Hagsater, Manuel Castro
Winemaker	Dr. Hans P. Backhoff
Consulting Winemaker	Larry Brooks
Wine Specifications	
Alcohol	14.0%
T/A	0.53 g/100ml
pH	3.78
Residual Sugar	.43 g/100ml
Brix at Harvest	24.5
Cellaring	10+ years
Harvest Dates	September 1 - 28, 2006

Vineyards

Location

Monte Xanic estate vineyard, Valle de Guadalupe, Baja California

Soils

Clay over granite

Vines

20 years old; conventional vineyard practices

Vinification

Hand-harvested to half-ton bins, hand-sorted with a vibrating table, destemmed, cold-fermented using traditional method (pump over), punch down and rotofermenters. 18 months in French oak (Nevers). Complete malolactic fermentation (inoculated) Keep in a granite cellar at 55°F and 85% RH.

Winemaker's Notes

Overall Impression

Elegant, complex, sophisticated

Bouquet

Cherry, blackcurrant, vanilla

Palate

Blackberry, cherry, dark chocolate

Serving Suggestions

Red meats, hearty stews, game (boar, duck), semi-aged hard cheeses, spicy Mexican foods

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Monte Xanic is an artisan winery in the Guadalupe Valley of Baja California, Mexico, founded in 1987 with the intention of establishing a new benchmark for Mexican winemaking. While the history of winemaking in Mexico goes back to the 16th century, only in recent years has the area gained attention, gaining momentum in 2000 when Monte Xanic wines were chosen to be served at the inauguration of Mexican President Vicente Fox. Monte Xanic, with its focus on excellence and bringing cutting-edge technique to time-honored winemaking tradition, has been a pioneer in revolutionizing the area as a premiere winegrowing region.