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Good pinot is known for its elegance and finesse, characteristics that Mr. Incisa has managed to achieve in his Chacra wines in just a decade.

Eric Asimov *The New York Times*

Incisa, whose palate is more old world than new, has dialed back the richness and alcohol in pursuit of balance and elegance in the later vintages although all the wines still have a piercing intensity, and I suspect they would confound even the most experienced blind tasters.

Jay McInerney *The Wall Street Journal*



In 2004, Piero Incisa della Rocchetta of the renowned winemaking family responsible for the creation and success of Tenuta San Guido (Sassicaia), purchased the first of vineyard land, which is now Chacra. At the time, the property contained an existing, albeit abandoned vineyard planted in 1932. Piero was called from his multigenerational Italian winemaking family to the southern hemisphere, compelled by the goal to produce world-class Pinot Noir in uncharted territory.

This singular vineyard at Chacra is of thick, pure, gnarled Pinot Noir vines; plants from their own rootstock producing tiny bunches of small, concentrated berries which are harvested by hand. No automation or mechanization is employed at any stage of the production process. The grapes are refrigerated to preserve the freshness of their fruit, and then hand de-stemmed and sorted before being moved to cement tanks for fermentation.



Winemaking at Chacra follows an organic and biodynamic approach, in the most natural manner. Once alcoholic fermentation is complete, the wine is transferred off the skins into small french oak barrels in the most gentle manner possible, by gravity. Bottling takes place around the first week of March without fining or filtration. The objective is for the oak, the fruit, and the nuances of the soil to marry perfectly so that the influence of the wood is nearly imperceptible in the wine. The vine and character of the land are expressed to their fullest.







The first wine of Chacra Treinta y Dos is made from vines planted in 1932. The second, from a vineyard planted in 1955, is referred as Cincuenta y Cinco. The third wine called Barda, meaning the ridge, is a blend of declassified grapes from the single vineyard wines coupled with grapes from a fifteen year old vineyard located on the original 1932 property. Mainqué Rosé, first made in 2013, also comes from these grapes. In 2015, Piero created Sin Azufre: a handcrafted experiment of making wine without science, using only the eyes, nose, palette, and reasoning as tools. These organic and biodynamic grapes are harvested from a special section of the 55 vineyard.



What began as a conversation between friends, has turned into a partnership with esteemed Burgundian Chardonnay producer Jean-Marc Roulot joining Piero in Patagonia in planting, farming, and vinification of Chardonnay at Chacra. This newest chapter in Chacra's story is more than just an expansion of a winery or the productions of new wines, it is a story of a friendship.



Chacra is located in the Rio Negro Valley of northern Patagonia, 620 Miles south of Buenos Aires, 1,240 miles north of Tierra del Fuego, and roughly equidistant west to east from the Andes Mountains and Atlantic Ocean.

The Rio Negro valley itself is a glacial bed 15.5 miles wide stretching 310 miles along the river's banks at an elevation of 750 feet above sea level.

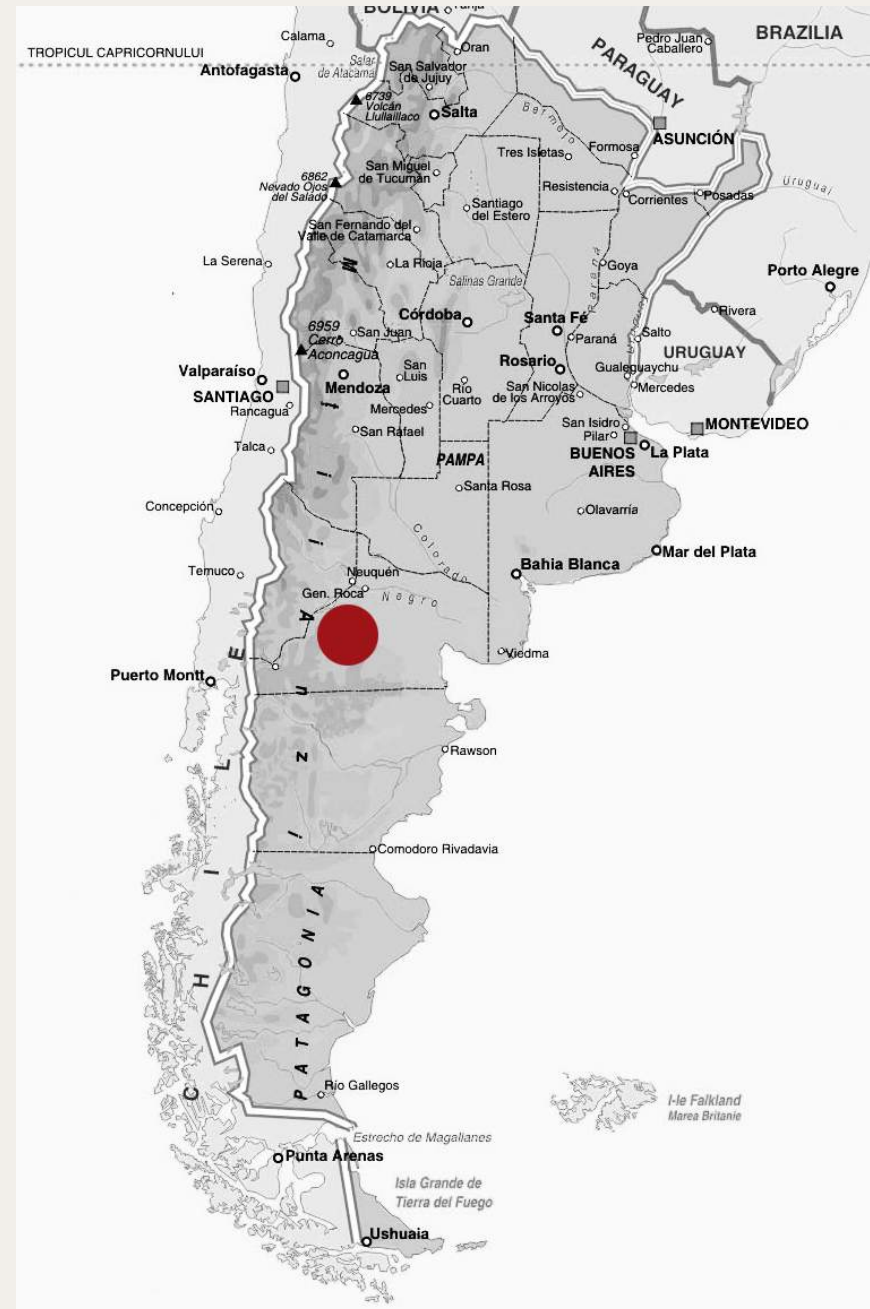
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Pinot in Rio Negro

1964 - 2400 ha

1990 - 232 ha

2009 - 1681 ha



Barda is the lightest of Piero Incisa della Rochetta's Patagonian Pinot Noir's and often the best in its youth. It's a silky, subtle red with appealing fragrance, a touch of oak, appealing red fruit sweetness and evidence of a light touch in the cellar.

James Suckling *The Suckling Report*

Pinot Noir is a difficult grape to work with, presenting its own set of problems both in the vineyard and the winery. When everything clicks and it works, however, it's difficult to imagine anything better...Argentinian examples rarely exhibit the qualities that have led some of the variety's devotees to coin a new word: 'pinosity.' But this one, from an Italian run project down in Patagonia, most certainly does. Graceful, floral and pretty, but with earthy, subtly mental depths, its a sensual treat at any time of the day.

David Williams *The Guardian*

In 2004, Italy's Piero Incisa della Rochetta purchased the first vineyards for Bodega Chacra, which lies in the valley of the Rio Negro river of Patagonia, midway between the Andes and the Atlantic. This Pinot Noir, aged 12 months in French oak, delivers pure, mineral and powerful red fruit flavors.

Kim Marcus *Wine Spectator*

I loved the nose of the pale ruby 13.5% Barda Pinot. The nose has a convincing earthiness about it (I had just been tasting Pinots from California and Germany). The palate began with Pinot's trademark sweet fruit but this soon gave way to flirtatious lift and delicacy (not common in Argentine wine) with real refreshment value but not a hint of leanness. I would say you could drink this with or without food any time over the next three years, but it's already delicious and good buy at the price.

Jancis Robinson *British Wine Critic*





Chacra's climate is dry with a maximum humidity of thirty percent and an average annual rainfall of seven inches. This aridity coupled with the natural barrier of the surrounding desert results in a complete absence of phylloxera and vine disease. The air is pristine and without pollution creating tremendous luminosity and purity of sunlight. During the ripening period in the first quarter of the year, diurnal temperatures vary widely ranging from a daily average of 82.4°F (28°C) and a nightly average of 48.2°F (9C). The seasons are precisely defined with hot summers, cold winters, and mild spring and autumns.

The Rio Negro Valley is irrigated through a series of channels excavated in the late 1820s by British colonists. These channels funnel the abundant snow melt from the Andes creating an oasis in the middle of the desert. The main economy of the Patagonian valley has been the production of fruits: mainly pears, apples, peaches, and grapes.



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Vintage 2022

Grape Pinot Noir

Alcohol 12,5%

pH 3.7

Titrateable Acid 4.69 g/l

Aging 24% in french oak barrels,
(5% new), 41% in concrete tanks
and 35% in stainless steel tanks
for 8 month

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PATAGONIA

- CINCUENTA Y CINCO -

PINOT NOIR

PRODUCED AND BOTTLED BY PIERO INCISA DELLA ROCCHETTA

Vintage 2022

Grape Pinot Noir

Alcohol 12%

pH 3.6

Titrateable Acid 5.1 g/l

Aging 55% in concrete tanks, 41%
in used french oak barrels,
and 4% in stoneware jars for
7 month

BOTTLE N°. 50 OF 9888

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PATAGONIA

- TREINTA Y DOS -

2021 PINOT NOIR

ELEVE ET PRODUIT PAR PIERO INCISA DELLA ROCCHETTA

Vintage 2021

Grape Pinot Noir

Alcohol 12%

pH 3.4

Titratable Acid 4.46 g/l

Aging 56% in french oak barrels,
34% in concrete tanks and
10% in stoneware jars for
11 month



LUNITA
DE BODEGA CHACRA
PATAGONIA
PINOT NOIR

Vintage 2022

Grape Pinot Noir

Alcohol 12%

pH 3.74

Titrateable Acid 4.73 g/l

Aging 100% in concrete tanks for 9 month



Vintage 2022

Grape Pinot Noir

Alcohol 12%

pH 3.76

Titrateable Acid 4.9 g/l

Aging 52% in french oak barrels (4% new), 39% in concrete tanks, and 9% in handmade amphoras for 7 month



Vintage 2022

Grape Malbec

Alcohol 12.5%

pH 3.7

Titrateable Acid 5.2 g/l

Aging 92% in concrete tanks, 3% in french oak barrels and 5% in handmade amphoras for 7 month



Vintage 2022

Grape Chardonnay

Alcohol 13%

pH 3.4

Titrateable Acid 5.6 g/l

Aging 46% in french oak barrels (9% new), 18% in concrete eggs and 36% in stainless steel tanks for 11 month



Vintage 2022

Grape Chardonnay

Alcohol 13 %

pH 3.3

Titrateable Acid 5.4 g/l

Aging 65% in french oak barrels
(15% new), and 35% in
stoneware jars for 11 month

Treinta y Dos		
2022	James Suckling	99
2021	James Suckling	97
2020	James Suckling	98
	Luis Gutierrez	96
2019	James Suckling	98
2018	James Suckling	100
2017	James Suckling	98
	Luis Gutierrez	97
2016	Top 100 Wines in the World 2018	
	James Suckling	98
	Luis Gutierrez	96
	Tim Atkin	95
2015	Luis Gutierrez	97
	James Suckling	96
	Tim Atkin	95
2014	James Suckling	96
	Tim Atkin	95
2013	James Suckling	94
	Tim Atkin	96
2011	James Suckling	93
	Tim Atkin	94
2010	James Suckling	93
	Wine Spectator	92
	Descorchados	93
2009	Decanter	90
	Sommelier Journal	4 stars
2007	Wine Spectator	91
	El Conocedor	91
	En Primeur	93
	Fabrizio Portelli	93
2005	El Conocedor	91

Cincuenta y Cinco		
2022	James Suckling	96
2021	James Suckling	98
	Luis Gutierrez	99
	Decanter	96
2020	James Suckling	98
2019	James Suckling	98
2018	James Suckling	97
	Luis Gutierrez	98
2017	Luis Gutierrez	97
	James Suckling	97
2016	James Suckling	96
	Tim Atkin	94
2015	Luis Gutierrez	95
	James Suckling	93
	Tim Atkin	94
2014	James Suckling	94
	Robert Parker	94
2013	James Suckling	93
	Tim Atkin	95
	Vinous	92
2012	James Suckling	93
	Tim Atkin	93
	Descorchados	93
2011	Stephen Tanzar	94
	Wine Republic	91
	Wine Enthusiast	92
2010	James Suckling	91
2009	Wine Enthusiast	91
2007	James Suckling	92
	El Conocedor	90
	Wine Spectator	90
2006	El Conocedor	91
	Stephen Tanzer	91

Barda		
2022	James Suckling	93
2021	James Suckling	93
	Luis Gutierrez	93+
	Decanter	94
2020	James Suckling	93
2019	James Suckling	93
2018	James Suckling	94
	Luis Gutierrez	93
2017	James Suckling	94
	Luis Gutierrez	92
2016	James Suckling	95
	Tim Atkin	92
2015	James Suckling	95
	Tim Atkin	93
2014	James Suckling	92
	Robert Parker	91
	Wine Spectator	91
2013	James Suckling	91
	Jancis Robinson	17
2012	James Suckling	90
	Tim Atkin	92
	Descorchados	89
2011	Argentina Terroir Awards	90
	Stephen Tanzer	90
2010	James Suckling	91
2009	Wine Spectator	89
	Jancis Robinson	16.5
2007	Wine Spectator	87
	Wine Enthusiast	94
	Jancis Robinson	16.5
	Tim Atkin	90
Lunita		
2022	James Suckling	94
2021	James Suckling	96
	Luis Gutierrez	93
	Decanter	94
2020	James Suckling	95
2019	James Suckling	97
2018	James Suckling	96
2017	James Suckling	96
2015	James Suckling	94

Sin Azufre		
2022	James Suckling	96
2021	James Suckling	96
	Luis Gutierrez	94+
2020	James Suckling	95
2019	James Suckling	96
2018	James Suckling	96
	Luis Gutierrez	94
2017	James Suckling	97
	Tim Atkin	96
2016	Top 100 wines of the Andes 2018	
	James Suckling	97
	Tim Atkin	96
2015	Top 100 wines in the World 2016	
	James Suckling	97
	Tim Atkin	95
Chacra Chardonnay		
2022	James Suckling	98
2021	James Suckling	98
	Luis Gutierrez	98
2020	James Suckling	97
2019	James Suckling	99
2018	James Suckling	98
	Luis Gutierrez	95
2017	Luis Gutierrez	94+
Mainqué Chardonnay		
2022	James Suckling	96
2021	James Suckling	94
	Luis Gutierrez	94
2020	James Suckling	94
2019	James Suckling	96
2018	James Suckling	97
	Luis Gutierrez	93
2017	Luis Gutierrez	92



WINE OF THE YEAR

“The structure of this is phenomenal and redefines pinot noir in Argentina. Aromas and flavors of dried strawberry, iodine, oyster shell, wet earth, fresh mushrooms and flowers. Full-bodied, tight and focused with chewy tannins and a long, extensive mouth feel. Better after 2024”.





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