

# Almaviva 1996

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Perfect conditions throughout the growing cycle from bud-break to harvest were followed by heavy rains the first week of April. A timely harvest brought in ripe, healthy grapes.

## *Tasting Notes*

Plum red with a slight terracotta tint around the edges.

Intense floral aromas with notes of smoky tobacco and loam.

Dried rose petals, ripe plum, blackberries and cassis evolve toward leather and black truffle. The whole is enveloped in aromas of candied fig, bay leaf and incense.

The attack is silky and balanced with nice, fresh, supple tannins. Dried flowers, pine bark and forest undergrowth. A very harmonious wine with a long lasting and smooth finish. A wonderful vintage.



## *Assemblage*

Cabernet Sauvignon: 75%

Carménère: 19%

Cabernet Franc: 6%

Barrel Aging: 16 Months, New French Oak.

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