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**Dos Hemisferios
San Miguel del Morro
Playas-Guayaquil**

White Wines

Enigma 2015 88 2017-20

Chardonnay 100%

Tasted at the LWF Olympia May 2017

Grapefruit the nose has depth of flavour yet an underlying freshness. The palate has sweet fruit fleshy and honeyed in the middle pineapple and peach but there is citrus at the back giving a fresher feel to the finish.

Red Wines

Del Morro 2015 86 2017-20

Cabernet Sauvignon 100%

Tasted at the LWF Olympia May 2017

The nose is light with bramble freshness the mid palate red fruited with cinnamon. Sweeter at the back more cassis in character the finish is long but quite lean.

Bruma 2015 87 2017-20

Merlot 50% Cabernet Sauvignon 50%

Tasted at the LWF Olympia May 2017

Ripe fruit the nose is sweet the palate has fleshy black plum and cassis. Chocolate and cocoa in the middle the back palate lighter fresh with a mix of bramble and red cherries.

Traversa 2014 89 2017-21

Cabernet Sauvignon 100%

The fruit on the nose is sweet the palate has ripe black fruits plums and black cherries. Bramble and bilberry the mid palate is lighter and fresher the tannins fresh and integrated and although structure at the back the finish has sweetness and depth.

Paradoja 2014 90 2017021

Malbec 50% Cabernet Sauvignon 50%

Tasted at the LWF Olympia May 2017

Rich ripe black plums and truffles the palate has fleshy suppleness the nose rich fruit and depth. There is a lighter feel in the middle cassis and touch of bramble the back palate has all the fleshy richness of ripe black fruits.

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