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BOZAL COYOTE

"Mezcal continues to be the nation's most exciting spirit category. Bozal bottles intriguing mezcals made from Castilla, Borrego and Cuixe — wild agave varieties hand harvested from often precarious sites on remote mountainsides — but I was particularly smitten by the Coyote variety, harvested from Villa Sola de Vega in Oaxaca. A nuanced smokiness takes a backseat to potent flavors of pear, green herbs, dried earth and dark chocolate. It's full bodied and rich, perfect for slow sipping under the stars." -Jordan Mackay





AGAVE

COYOTE

Part of the American Oaxacensis agave family, the Coyote is particularly hard to find in the wild. Sourced from Villa Sola de Vega in Oaxaca, this agave is typically characterized by its herbaceous and earthy aromatics with a spicy finish.

PRODUCTION

We use an artisanal approach toward production in order to create an unadulterated style of mezcal. In keeping with the 200-year-old tradition, the agave hearts are cooked in earthen pit ovens, later to be crushed and mashed by hand. Without the addition of artificial yeast, open-air fermentation in wood tanks allows the sugars to ferment. Our mezcaleros then follow the "Ancestral" tradition by strictly using clay pot distillation to produce our mezcal. An ancient practice that is synonymous with the traditions of the local people. The daily maximum capacity per clay pot to distill our mezcal is 60 liters, producing small craft batches.

TASTE

A stunning expression of the unique character of the Coyote agave. An earthy and slightly smoky entry leads to a mid palate that is driven by flavors of minerality and rich dark chocolate. Finishes dry and balanced, indeed an enjoyable mezcal crafted for sipping.

INSPIRATION

The Spanish term, BOZAL translates to "wild" or "untamed." We chose this name for our Mezcal in reference to the wild species of Mexican agave grown in hard to reach, uncultivated lands of Oaxaca and Guerrero. As well as for the untamed traditions used by our family operated distilleries, or mezcaleros, to distill small batches in those same locations.

PACKAGING

Alluding to the traditional terra cotta copitas sometimes used for drinking mezcal, we created a series of rustic ceramic bottles in earth tones. The label is printed on a naturally flecked paper with an embossed logo, production specifications, perforated holes, and the batch number stamp. These elements are designed to signal the tactile nature of the product and appeal to the specialized craft spirits drinker. The black, or negro, ceramic bottle of our Coyote is used to signify the way in which our mezcal was produced in the Ancestral Style.

SPECS

MEZCAL 100% AGAVE			SUGGESTED	RETAIL	PRICE	\$129
PUEBLOS Sola de Vega		RE	GION Oaxaca			
CLAY POT STILL	52.8 %	AB\	V 105.6 PROOF	750 ML	NOM-O	363X



