MEZCAL ALIPUS



from remote pueblos in Oaxaca's noted mezcal region craft production in artisanal family distilleries agaves wood-roasted in *palenques* (conical below-ground ovens) slow stone-milling

fermentation with native yeasts in open wooden vats double-distillation in small wood-fired copper potstills



SAN ANDRÉS: fermented in cypress vats & distilled by Don Valente Angel from agave Espadín grown at about 5000 feet on thin calciferous-soiled low hills and terraces. Complex, rich, intensely floral.

SAN BALTAZAR GUÉLAVILA: fermented in pine vats & distilled by Don Cosmé Hernandez from agave Espadín grown at about 5700 feet in hilly, white, & rocky soil. Delicate and fruity, slightly sweet.

SAN JUAN DEL RIO: fermented in oak vats & distilled by Don Joel Cruz from non-irrigated agave Espadín grown in sunny mountaintop plantings in ferriferous soil at 4600 feet. Fruity, rich, smokey, pleasantly sweet.

SAN LUIS DEL RIO: fermented in pine vats & distilled by Don Baltazar Cruz Gomez from agave Espadín grown at about 4000 feet in steep and sandy soils. Spicy, round, and soft.

SANTA ANA DEL RIO: fermented in pine vats & distilled by Don Eduardo Hernandez from agave Espadín grown at about 5200 feet in mountainous, white, & very rocky soil. Very cleanly distilled. Soft and lightly fruity.