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SINCE 1756 FROM SONORA

## SANTO CUVISO SOTOL CHIHUAHUA

SANTO CUVISO SOTOL CHIHUAHUA IS AN ARTISANAL SPIRIT FROM ALDAMA, CHIHUAHUA, CRAFTED FROM THE WILD DESERT PLANT DASYLIRION LEIOPHYLLUM.

ROOTED IN PRE-HISPANIC TRADITION AND ONCE CONSIDERED A SACRED AND MEDICINAL DRINK BY INDIGENOUS CULTURES, IT IS TODAY CAREFULLY PRODUCED BY MAESTRO SOTOLERO GERARDO RUELAS HERNÁNDEZ, RESULTING IN A BRIGHT, EARTHY, AND MINERAL SPIRIT WITH SUBTLE NOTES OF ALMOND AND A SMOOTH, BUTTERY FINISH.



**APPEARANCE:**  
BRIGHT AND CLEAR,  
WITH MEDIUM  
INTENSITY.

**BOUQUET:**  
PASSIONATE,  
EARTHY, CLEAN  
AND POWERFUL,  
WITH SUBTLE  
NOTES OF ALMOND  
AND NUTS.

**FLAVOR:**  
MINERAL, SWEET  
AND BUTTERY.



# TECHNICAL INFORMATION

**REGION:** ALDAMA, CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO  
**MUNICIPALITY:** QUIRIEGO, SONORA, MÉXICO  
**ALC.VOL:** 46% ALC. VOL.  
**VARIETY:** DASYLIRION LEIOPHYLLUM  
**INGREDIENTS:** AGAVE AND WATER. (NO ADITIVES)

**COOKED:** UNDERGROUND VOLCANIC STONE OVEN  
**GRINDING:** BY AXE AND MILL  
**FERMENTATION:** 5-10 DAYS IN OAK VATS WITH WELL WATER  
**DISTILLATION:** DOUBLE DISTILLED IN COPPER STILLS

**MAESTRO BACANORERO:** GERARDO RUELAS HERNÁNDEZ

THE JOURNEY OF SANTO CUVISO SOTOL BEGINS IN THE CHIHUAHUA DESERT, WITH THE CAREFUL HARVESTING OF THE WILD SOTOL PLANT. ONCE IT REACHES THE DISTILLERY, THE HEARTS ARE PLACED IN UNDERGROUND STONE OVENS FOR SLOW, INDIRECT COOKING THAT LASTS ABOUT 72 HOURS, GENTLY TRANSFORMING THEIR STARCHES INTO FERMENTABLE SUGARS.

AFTER COOKING, THE SOFTENED PLANTS ARE PRESSED TO SEPARATE THE SWEET JUICES FROM THE FIBERS, YIELDING THE MUST THAT WILL BECOME SOTOL. FROM THIS POINT ON, ONLY THE EXTRACTED MUST IS USED.

THE MUST THEN FERMENTS FOR ROUGHLY ONE WEEK, DEVELOPING A BASE LIQUID OF ABOUT 6-8% ALCOHOL. THIS FERMENTED LIQUID IS DISTILLED IN DOUBLE-COLUMN STILLS: IN THE FIRST COLUMN, ORGANIC RESIDUES ARE SEPARATED FROM THE ALCOHOL, AND IN THE SECOND, THE DIFFERENT ALCOHOLS ARE SEPARATED INTO HEADS, HEART, AND TAILS—METHANOL AT THE TOP, ETHANOL IN THE CENTER, AND HEAVIER ALCOHOLS AT THE BOTTOM.

THE PURE HEART CUT IS CAREFULLY SELECTED, AND THIS IS WHAT BECOMES THE FINISHED SANTO CUVISO SOTOL SPIRIT.

CHIHUAHUA  
MEXICO

