

Piattelli Vineyards, Cafayate, Grand Malbec 2019



A rich and inky red with aromas of black fruits, cedar and a touch of smoke. Intense and fruit forward on the palate with an opulent and mouthfilling texture.

Producer Note

The Piattelli Vineyards lie in the foothills of the Andes Mountains, where the century old vines are irrigated by the pure waters melting from the snow crested peaks; significant in making their wines exquisite. At Piattelli Vineyards great pride is taken in crafting wines with a sense of place, as each region has distinct terroirs and microclimates. Led by head winemaker Valeria Antolin, the wines are produced through her passionate pursuit of perfection. Their gravity fed winery in Cafayate honours their commitment to sustainable practices. Piattelli Vineyards practises sustainable farming and their Mendoza vineyards are USDA certified organic. The grapes are cultivated with arid clean air, crystal clear water and nutrient rich soil and their award winning wines are produced with wisdom, precision and care.

Vintage

2019 offered excellent climatic conditions; there were no incidences of frost or hail, so the vines followed their natural growth progression. The warm, dry weather throughout the growing period resulted in healthy, vibrant fruit full of varietal characteristics.

Vineyard

From high in the Andes surrounding Salta come Piattelli's Cafayate wines, grown at an elevation of over 1,795 metres. The distinctively colourful Argentinian mountains are formed of many geological layers. The splendour of this area is the pure water and extreme thermal amplitudes. The diurnal temperature differences create longer ripening periods, which concentrates the flavours in the grapes, with the cooler evenings encouraging a balancing freshness. Additionally, the grapes develop thicker skins to cope with the intensity of the UV rays at this altitude, which further concentrates the flavours in the wine. This makes this not only one of the most beautiful, but also one of the premier grape growing regions in the world.

Winemaking

Made from the fruit representing the best of the crop. The grapes were hand-picked and destemmed. Fermentation took place in stainless steel tanks with post fermentation maceration lasting for two weeks. When fermentation was complete, the wine was racked to first use French oak barrels, where it went through malolactic conversion and was aged for 12 months.

Tasting Note

A rich and inky Malbec full of aromas of blueberries, cedar and spice. Opulent and textured, with wonderful fruit concentration and beautifully integrated oak, through to a long, persistent finish.

Grape

Malbec 100%



Winemaker:	Alejandro Nesman
Region:	Salta
Sub region:	Cafayate
Country:	Argentina
Alcohol:	14.5%
Body Value:	D (A is light, E is full bodied)
Residual Sugar:	3.5
Contains Sulphites:	Yes
Vegetarian/Vegan:	Yes/Yes
Milk/Eggs:	No/No
Organic:	No
Biodynamic:	No
Product Code:	58620191
Case unit of measure:	12X75CL
Formats Available:	75cl
Closure:	Diam