

Finca Flichman Dedicado,
`Gran Malbec` Uco Valley 2014
Valle de Uco, Mendoza, Argentina



FINCA FLICHMAN



PRODUCER

The winery was founded in 1910 by Polish immigrant Don Sami Flichman. He purchased property in Barrancas (southern Maipú) and planted vines in rocky, well-drained plots situated along the Mendoza river. It was Sami's son Isaac who first began to make fine wine at the estate, including Caballero de la Cepa, one of the first high-quality wines that garnered international awareness for premium Argentinian wines. Sogrape Vinhos purchased Finca Flichman in 1998, and invested heavily in restoring the vineyards and equipping the winery with modern equipment. The original Barrancas vineyard remains among their 400 hectares of vines, which also includes the higher altitude Tupungato vineyard. Today the wines are made by Rogelio Rabino, who works closely with consultant and renowned winemaker Alberto Antonini.

VINEYARDS

The Dedicado is made from the best hand-harvested fruit from the high-altitude Tupungato vineyards in the Valle de Uco. Terroir consultant Pedro Parra of Clos des Fous consults on the vineyards. Situated at the foot of the Andes, the vineyards benefit from large diurnal temperature variations which result in longer ripening seasons and more elegant wines.

VINTAGE

The season began with severe frosts that lowered yields. November brought a few dry Zonda winds that challenged the flowering stage and lowered yields even more. December and January brought heatwaves and late summer rains and lower temperatures moved into the region just before harvest. In three weeks the region received levels equivalent to two years worth of rain. Grapes harvested prior to mildew or rot setting in were showing excellent levels of acidity, lower alcohol content and fine tannins.

VINIFICATION

The Malbec fruit spent 12 days fermenting at 26-29°C and underwent malolactic fermentation. The wine was then aged for 12 months in oak before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

A deep red wine with ruby shades. The bouquet is layered with black fruit, pepper, eucalyptus and chocolate notes. Elegant and fresh but with firm tannins, the finish is long and fruity.

Grape Varieties	100% Malbec
Winemaker	Germán Berra
Closure	Natural Cork
ABV	13.5%
Residual Sugar	2.1g/L
Acidity	5.2g/L
Bottle Sizes	75cl
Notes	Sustainable