

Finca Flichman Caballero de la Cepa,
Mendoza Malbec Reserve 2024
Mendoza, Argentina



Grape Varieties	100% Malbec
Winemaker	Rogelio Rabino
Closure	Screwcap
ABV	13.5%
Residual Sugar	1.8g/L
Acidity	5.2g/L
Wine pH	3.5
Bottle Sizes	75cl
Notes	Vegetarian, Practising Organic, Vegan

PRODUCER

Finca Flichman, in southern Maipú, Mendoza, is one of Argentina's oldest and most prestigious wineries. It was founded in 1910 by Don Sami Flichman, who emigrated to Argentina from Łódź, Poland and established the estate's first vineyards on the rocky, well-drained plots within the town of Barrancas. In 1947, Don's son Isaac and winemaker Raúl de la Mota created 'Caballero de la Cepa', one of the first premium Argentinian wines to have international success. Today, winemaking is overseen by Rogelio Rabino, supported by acclaimed consultant and winemaker Alberto Antonini, as well as renowned soil and vineyard mapping expert Pedro Parra.

VINEYARDS

Grapes for the Caballero de la Cepa wines are picked from the Barrancas region in southern Maipú, Mendoza. The vines here are over 50 years old and planted in rocky, well-drained plots situated along the south side of the Mendoza river. The vineyards sit at high altitudes of up to 760 metres above sea level, meaning that there are large temperature differences between day and night. This extends the growing season and helps to retain freshness and finesse in the wines.

VINTAGE

The 2024 vintage was marked by incredibly varied weather, starting with a cold spring and late frost events which caused yield losses. The summer months came with high temperatures, causing rapid sugar ripening. Despite these challenges, the resulting harvest was of excellent quality.

VINIFICATION

On arrival at the winery, the hand-picked grapes underwent a cold fermentation for two days at 10°C. Fermentation took place in stainless steel tanks at 25°C, with regular open and closed pump overs performed. After 10 days, the wine underwent malolactic conversion. The wine was then aged in used 2500l French oak barrels for 12 months and spent a further three months ageing in bottle before release.

TASTING NOTES

This wine is ruby red in colour with violet hues. The aroma is perfumed and complex - a combination of violets, cherries and eucalyptus. On the palate, it is concentrated with blackberries, ripe plums and tobacco leaves. Sweet, ripe tannins balance the fruit.