Finca Sophenia `Synthesis` Malbec 2023



Region

The biggest and most important of Argentina`s wine regions, Mendoza includes a wide variety of altitudes and micro-climates to allow a huge range of wine styles. The main vineyard area is at the base of the Andes in the valley of the Mendoza River, with vineyards ranging from 500-1500 metres above sea level. Many early winemakers were of Italian origin and brought with them their native Barbera, Bonarda and Sangiovese. However, it is Malbec, originally from Bordeaux and the southwest of France, that has established the most successful presence in Mendoza.

Producer

The Pioneer estate winery is based in Gualtallary one of the highest districts in the Uco Valley, Mendoza at around 1200m above sea level. It was founded by Roberto Luka in 1997, naming it after his partner's daughter Sophia and his daughter Eugenia. The sheer height means the vineyards experience abundant sun during the day and much cooler nights. This, combined with sandy and stony soils, ensures a long growing season for ripe fruit and a refreshing acidity for expressive and elegant wines that stand out. They are certified sustainable and have now been confirmed organic which will mean wines from 2023 onwards are certified.

Tasting Notes

Deep and intense ruby red colour with violet hues. The nose is intense with concentrated floral notes and black fruits. On the palate, spicy black pepper combines with ripe plum, blackberry and dark chocolate. 12 months ageing in French oak gives vanilla, toast and smoky notes which linger on the long and elegant finish.

Food

BBQ cuisine, steak, sausages, rich pork and game dishes. Strong and full flavoured cheeses.

Technical Information

Country	Argentina
Region	Mendoza
Grape(s)	Malbec (100%)
Type	Red
Style	Spicy
Oaked Style	Oaked
Body Style	Full bodied
Sustainable	Yes-certified sustainable

Dry/Sweet Style	Not applicable	
Alcohol Content	14%	
Closure Style	Cork	
Organic/Biodynamic	No	
Allergens	**Milk:**	No
	Egg:	No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:**	Yes
	Vegan:	Yes

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