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CATENA

Zapata Malbec Argentino 2008



\$262.52*

* Suggested retail price



	Product code	885291
	Format	6x750ml
	Listing type	Allocated
	Status	Available
	Type of product	Still wine
	Country	Argentina
	Regulated designation	Geographical Indication (GI)
	Region	Mendoza
	Varietal(s)	Malbec 100 %
	Colour	Red
	Closure type	Cork

ABOUT THIS WINERY

At heart, Catena is a story about a family who poured their lives, passion and spirit into transforming scrub-laden desert into some of the most beautiful and unique vineyards in the world. From generation to generation, blending collective memory with state-of-the-art science, the family has transformed their treasured Mendoza terroir into the fountainhead of the award-winning wines that carry the Catena name.

TASTING NOTES

Saturated dark violet color; intense nose of cassis, mocha and clove, along with a strong suggestion of soil tones. Combination of density and sweetness on the one hand, with gripping, lightly saline flavors of dark berries, tobacco, spices and minerals; a palate-staining finish dominated by sweet black and blue fruits.

PRODUCT NOTES

In general terms, 2007 showed excellent levels of quality and concentration. The growing season was characterized by warmer than usual daytime temperatures with colder nighttime lows. 2007 also presented a higher than normal amount of both general precipitation and violent hail storms. In sandy/rocky soil areas of the Uco Valley, sanitary conditions, aromas and tannin development were absolutely extraordinary. The harvest was earlier than usual by between 14-30, days, depending on the area.

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PRODUCTION NOTES

De-stemmed, whole berry fruit is hand loaded into 225, 400 and 600 liter new French oak barrels; 100% barrel fermented for seamless oak integration; low fermentation temperatures extract intense aromas; all cap management done by hand for soft, gentle flavor and tannin extraction; alcoholic and malolactic fermentation in barrel leaves considerable lees and sediment.



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