

ELSA BIANCHI

MALBEC 2011



Description:

The classic Malbec aromas of ripe plum and violets are evident in the nose, with hints of vanilla. The beauty of the Malbec in Argentina is its ability to combine a rich, weighty mouth feel with a soft silkiness normally associated with lighter wines. Elsa Malbec takes the promise of the nose through to the palate, with pleasing fruit that mimics the aroma. The soft, supple palate leads to a lingering finish.

Winemaker's Notes:

The grapes for this single-vineyard wine come from Valentin Bianchi's Doña Elsa Estate, situated in Rama Caída, San Rafael, Mendoza, around 2500 feet above sea level. One of the coolest areas in San Raphael, the soil in Rama Caída is of sandy calcareous composition and alluvial origins. Hand-picked and twice sorted by hand, the grapes are crushed, fermented at controlled temperatures in stainless steel tanks and inoculated with selected yeasts. Very gentle, periodic pumping over is conducted, with seven days total maceration and natural stabilization. There is minimal French oak aging in an effort to keep fruit fresh, lively and prominent, with a further one month's aging in the bottle.

Serving Hints:

Elsa Malbec is the perfect accompaniment to a wide range of foods, such as salmon or other flavorful fish, pork and beef.

PRODUCER:	Valentin Bianchi S.A.
COUNTRY:	Argentina
REGION:	San Rafael, Mendoza
GRAPE VARIETY:	100% Malbec
RESIDUAL SUGAR:	4.42 g/l
TOTAL ACIDITY:	5.17 g/l
pH:	3.7

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Pack	Size	Alc%	lbs	L	W	H	Pallet	UPC
12	750	14.1%	37.47	12.72	9.29	11.85	4X14	89991100002-1

