

# Piattelli Vineyards, Grand Reserve, Cafayate, Malbec 2014

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## Producer Note

The Piattelli Vineyards lie in the foothills of the Andes Mountains, where the century old vines are irrigated by the pure waters melting from the snow crested peaks; a significant aspect in making their wines exquisite. At Piattelli Vineyards great pride is taken in crafting wines with a sense of place, as each region has distinct terroirs and microclimates. Mendoza and Cafayate are two of the best grape growing regions in Argentina and they wanted to showcase both. Led by head winemaker Valeria Antolin, the wines are produced through her passionate pursuit of perfection. Their gravity fed winery in Cafayate honours their commitment to sustainable practices. Piattelli Vineyards practises sustainable farming and their Mendoza vineyards are USDA certified organic. The grapes are cultivated with arid clean air, crystal clear water and nutrient rich soil and their award winning wines are produced with wisdom, precision and love.

## Vineyard

From high in the Andes surrounding Salta come Piattelli's Cafayate wines, grown at an elevation of over 1,795 metres. The distinctively colourful North West Argentinian mountains are formed of many geological layers. The splendour of this area, with its pure water and extreme thermal amplitudes, is that it produces grapes bursting with flavour, making this not only one of the most beautiful, but also one of the premier grape growing regions in the world.

## Winemaking

The grapes were hand picked and destemmed. The must was fermented in 5,000 to 10,000 litre stainless steel tanks, and then aged for 12 months in French and American oak barrels.

## Tasting Note

A rich and fragrant wine which represents the best of the crop. An intense red with aromas of black fruits, vanilla and a touch of smoke. These aromas are transformed on the palate to give the wine great structure and body. A soft fruit-forward flavour leads to a strong and balanced finish.

## Serving Suggestion

Pair with barbequed pork, braised lamb shanks, pan-fried steak or spicy, grilled vegetables.

## Grape

Malbec 100%

## Awards

Silver, IWC, 2016



Winemaker:	Valeria Antolin
Region:	Salta
Sub region:	Cafayate
Country:	Argentina
Alcohol:	14.5%
Body Value:	D (A is light, E is full bodied)
Residual Sugar:	3.9
Contains Sulphites:	Yes
Vegetarian/Vegan:	Yes/Yes
Milk/Eggs:	No/No
Organic/Biodynamic	No/No
Product Code:	58620141
Case unit of measure:	12X75CL
Formats Available:	75cl
Closure:	Natural Cork