

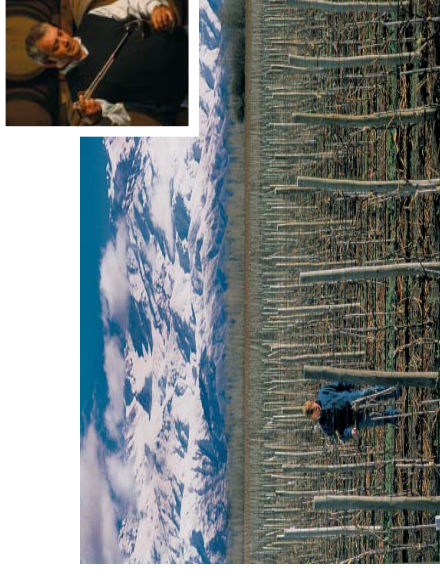
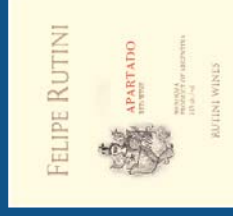
# RUTINI

BODEGA LA RURAL  
MENDOZA, ARGENTINA



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Over the last decade the Rutini winery has undergone a process of technological renovation and remodelling of its facilities. During this period its capacity has doubled, and it has acquired state-of-the-art technology that has positioned Rutini Wines alongside many great European and American wineries.



With a stainless steel tank capacity of 3 million litres, 1.4 million litres in oak casks, 5.6 million litres in epoxy-lined concrete tanks and 600,000 litres in French and American oak barrels, Rutini Wines operates one of the most impressive wine production systems in Argentina. The advanced systems and equipment we employ to produce and preserve our wines allow our company to satisfy the constant demands of the international market.

Rutini Wines has within its realms the expertise of some of the most respected and influential figures in Argentina's winemaking industry. In 1994 the winery was acquired by a group of investors, whose key members include the pioneer of the new wave of Argentine winemaking, Nicolas Catena, and Jose Benegas Lynch, from one of Mendoza's oldest and most celebrated winemaking families. The combined historical know-how of the Argentine terroir at Rutini Wines, together with the stellar winemaking team of Mariano Di Paola, guarantee the quality and individual style of our wines.

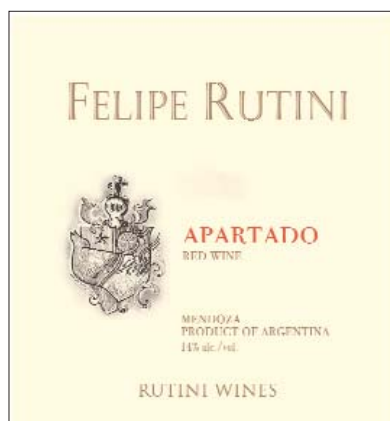
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**Apartado**  
**Encuentro Malbec-Merlot**  
**Malbec**  
**Merlot**  
**Cabernet Sauvignon**  
**Chardonnay**

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# FELIPE RUTINI

## RUTINI WINES

Mendoza, Argentina



## Apartado 2004

### THE VINEYARD

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### HARVEST & AGEING

Made only in exceptional vintage years, the grapes for Apartado, meaning "that which is set apart", go through a rigorous selection of the Rutini's best vineyards sites. The Cabernet is sourced from 20 year old vineyards in the Agrelo district, Malbec is sourced from 50 year old vineyards located in La Consulta district of San Carlos, and the Merlot is sourced from 10 year old vineyards located in Tupungato. The result from blending grapes from different microclimates and terroirs within Mendoza's high-altitude wine-growing region produces complex, rich and elegant wines. The harvest is done by hand, the grapes are then destemmed for a 30 day fermentation and maceration, with 100% malolactic fermentation. Ageing takes place for 14 months in new French oak. Each barrel is fined with one egg white, this wine is unfiltered.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Felipe Rutini Apartado is an innovative red blend produced only in outstanding vintages and in limited quantities, using individual components selected from the best barrels in the winery. This stunning red blend harmoniously combines the individual characteristics of each of the grape varieties. The nose displays complex layers of blackcurrant, plums and cherries, with notes of cocoa, spicy tobacco and cedar from the wine's ageing in new French oak. This medium to full bodied red is beautifully balanced with great depth, concentrated red fruit flavors and elegant, silky tannins.

Grape Varieties: 50% Malbec, 20% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon

Finished Alcohol: 14%

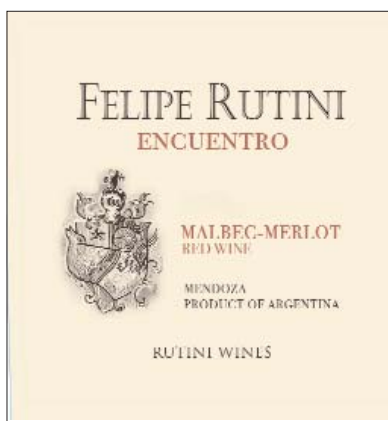
Acidity/pH: 5.55/3.75



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## RUTINI WINES

Mendoza, Argentina



## Encuentro Malbec-Merlot 2004

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### HARVEST & AGEING

The grapes are sourced from the Tupungato region of Mendoza, high in the Andes Mountains, at an elevation of 3,000 to 5,000 feet above sea-level. With its unique microclimate, Tupungato produces fruit with exceptional fruit and structure. The vineyards experience a range of temperature between daytime highs and night time lows. The warm sunny days allow for maximum radiation resulting in complex flavors and aromas. The cool night allow for an extended hang-time on the vines ensuring good balance of acidity. Ageing takes place for 15 months in 100% new French oak.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

A well structured red blend with aromas of red and black cherries, plums and blackberries, accompanied by spicy notes from the time spent in new oak. This medium-bodied wine has a creamy texture with good depth, dark fruit flavors, touches of vanilla and mocha, and a long, firm finish.

Harvest date: April 2004

Grape Varieties: 53% Malbec, 47% Merlot

Finished Alcohol: 13.3%

Acidity/pH: 5.45/3.75



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## RUTINI WINES

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## Malbec 2009

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### HARVEST & AGEING

The grapes are sourced from the Consulta region, 65-year-old vineyards, San Carlos district, 1,000 metres above sea level Mendoza, high in the Andes Mountains. Many believe the best Malbec grapes in Mendoza today are being grown in the La Consulta area. The Felipe Rutini vines in this highly coveted region reach ages of up to 65 years. The concentrated yields produced by these vines, combined with the high altitude, cool air and intense sunshine in this region, create grapes with rich, complex fruit character, deep color and smooth, ripe tannins. The grapes are destemmed for a 30 day fermentation and maceration. Ageing takes place for 12 months in French oak (100% new). 100% malolactic fermentation.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Rutini Malbec has a concentrated nose with elements of wild berries, tobacco and vanilla. The palate is full, with rich black fruit flavors and a long, lingering finish with a touch of black pepper spice.

Winemaker: Mariano Di Paola  
Grape Varieties: 100% Malbec  
Finished Alcohol: 13.5%  
Acidity/pH: 5.25/3.75



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## RUTINI WINES

Mendoza, Argentina



### Merlot 2008

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#### HARVEST & AGEING

The grapes are sourced from the Arbolera district of the Tupungato region in Mendoza, high in the Andes Mountains, at an elevation of 3,000 to 5,000 feet above sea-level. With its unique microclimate, Tupungato produces fruit with exceptional fruit and structure. The vineyards experience a range of temperature between daytime highs and night time lows. The warm sunny days allow for maximum radiation resulting in complex flavors and aromas. The cool night allow for an extended hang-time on the vines ensuring good balance of acidity. Destemmed for a 25 day fermentation and maceration. Ageing takes place for 12 months in new French oak. 100% malolactic fermentation.

#### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Felipe Rutini Merlot displays complex but harmonious ripe black cherry and blackberry aromas and integrated notes of toast and vanilla. The palate is soft and enticing, with black fruit flavors and a long, silky finish.

Winemaker: Mariano Di Paola  
Grape Varieties: 100% Merlot  
Finished Alcohol: 13.5%  
Acidity/pH: 5.55/3.70



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## RUTINI WINES

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## Cabernet Sauvignon 2008

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### HARVEST & AGEING

The grapes are sourced from the Tupungato region of Mendoza, high in the Andes Mountains, at an elevation of about 3,500 feet above sea-level. With its unique microclimate, Tupungato produces fruit with exceptional fruit and structure. The sunny climate in the Tupungato Valley combined with perfect altitude and significant day to night temperature variation translates into a slow, gradual maturation with the development of rich concentrated fruit flavors, complex aromas, sweet tannins and intense violet color. The cool nights allow for an extended hang-time on the vines ensuring a good balance of acidity. Ageing takes place for 12 months in French oak (100% new). 100% malolactic fermentation.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Felipe Rutini Cabernet Sauvignon has fruity aromas with hints of vanilla and chocolate that develop into spice and coffee flavors. It is fruity with well-balanced tannins, and hints of cocoa and sweet oak on the smooth finish.

Grape Varieties: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Finished Alcohol: 13.5%

Acidity/pH: 6.1/3.4



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## RUTINI WINES

Mendoza, Argentina



## Chardonnay 2009

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### HARVEST & AGEING

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### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Aromas of minerals and fruit lead into flavors of lime, citrus and peach along with notes of honey and vanilla, all of which is balanced out nicely with toasty oak and a creamy fresh finish.

Grape Varieties: 100% Chardonnay

Finished Alcohol: 13.0%

Acidity/pH: 5.85/3.60



# FELIPE RUTINI

## APARTADO 2006

### MENDOZA, ARGENTINA



*As seen in...*



# 91

pts

*“Oaky, creamy and a bit lactic on the nose, with an easy style to the palate and ripe, sweet flavors of blackberry and black cherry that are delicious but lack complexity. Finishes big, syrupy and sweet, with a spot of raisin. Really good for a blend of Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot.*

*Drink now through 2013.*

*March 2011*

# YEAR'S BEST ARGENTINE MALBEC BLENDS

## FELIPE RUTINI

### APARTADO 2004 MENDOZA, ARGENTINA



*As seen in...*

## Wine & Spirits

# 93<sub>pts</sub>

*"The top of the line from Bodega La Rural, Apartado is a blend of malbec, cabernet sauvignon and merlot. It shows a delightful range of aromas, from dark cherry to pencil lead and fresh violets. The structure is tense, with a core of tannins supporting the fruit."*

*June 2008*

# FELIPE RUTINI

## APARTADO 2004

### MENDOZA, ARGENTINA



*As seen in...*

WINE  ENTHUSIAST

**92**pts

*“Apartado, a high-flying Bordeaux blend of Malbec, Cabernet and Merlot, shows up only occasionally, but when it does it shines. This vintage is stunning; the black cherry and wild berry flavors are lively and honest, while the wine’s structure is just where it should be. With a juicy steak or lamb chops, this wine will bowl you over.”*

May 2008

# FELIPE RUTINI

## APARTADO 2004

### MENDOZA, ARGENTINA



*As seen in...*



# 90<sub>pts</sub>

*The 2004 Apartado, made only in the better vintages, is composed of 50% Malbec, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 20% Merlot aged for 14 months in 100% new French oak. Opaque purple in appearance, it has a superior bouquet of pain grille, mineral, blueberry, and black cherry. Firm on the palate, this structured effort has layers of ripe fruit, good balance, and 3-5 years of aging potential It will offer prime drinking from 2012 to 2025.*

*Jay Miller - Wine Advocate #180 - Dec. 2008*

# FELIPE RUTINI

Encuentro Malbec-Merlot 2006

Mendoza, Argentina



**91** pts

AS SEEN IN...

**Wine & Spirits**

*Decadent in its aromas and flavors, this blend of equal parts malbec and merlot is markedly ripe, with fig and chestnut notes. The black fruit flavors have juicy depth; the tannins, still youthful, will soften up next to lamb chops.*

*-October 2011*



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## ENCUENTRO MALBEC-MERLOT 2004 MENDOZA, ARGENTINA



*As seen in...*

## Wine & Spirits

# 92<sub>pts</sub>

*Legendary winemaker Mariano de Paola sources fruit for this malbec-merlot blend from the heights of Tupungato. His 2004 is a deliciously spicy wine full of notes of green peppercorn, cloves, and rosemary. The fresh and fruity flavors meld with a hint of coffee and Maraschino cherries. A sophisticated and elegant wine for game.*

*June 2010*

# RUTINI

Malbec 2009

Mendoza, Argentina



**90**pts

AS SEEN IN...



*The 2009 Malbec displays a brooding bouquet surrendering notes of brier, spice box, floral aromas, and black cherry. Smooth, succulent, and friendly, this tasty effort finishes with no hard edges. It is meant for drinking over the next 4-5 years.*

*-J.M. - December 2011*



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# RUTINI

Malbec 2008  
Mendoza, Argentina



**88**pts

AS SEEN IN...  
**Wine Spectator**

*Racy yet forward, with a beam of boysenberry and raspberry coulis notes driving through the long, minerally finish. Drink now.*

*-J.M. August 31, 2011*



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## MALBEC 2008

### MENDOZA, ARGENTINA



*As seen in...*



i-winereview.com

**88**pts

*The 2008 Malbec exhibits a medium ruby robe and a lovely fresh plum nose. It is soft and flavorful on the attack with ripe plum flavors on the palate. It is nicely balanced with round tannins and made in an easy-drinking style.*

*Report #26 - 2011*

# RUTINI

Merlot 2008

Mendoza, Argentina



**89** pts

AS SEEN IN...



*Rutini's 2008 Merlot offers up an attractive nose of spice box, tobacco, black currant, and cassis. Dense, concentrated, and supple on the palate, this tasty effort lacks only complexity. Drink it over the next 4-5 years.*

*-J.M. - December 2011*



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# RUTINI

Cabernet Sauvignon 2008

Mendoza, Argentina



**90**pts

AS SEEN IN...



*The 2008 Cabernet Sauvignon features notions of black currants, Asian spices, violets, and smoke. In the glass it opens to reveal a bit of structure, spicy flavors, good depth, and a lengthy, pure finish. Drink this concentrated effort over the next 4-5 years.*

*-J.M. - December 2011*



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# RUTINI

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### 2007

#### MENDOZA, ARGENTINA



*As seen in...*

## Wine & Spirits

# 90<sub>pts</sub>

*This cabernet sauvignon was made by famed enologist Mariano Di Paola from vineyards in Tupungato. Ripened to a seductive complexity, this melds spicy scents of clove and cinnamon with flavors of strawberry jam. It's a chubby wine with enough acidity to balance the fat and lend it polish.*

*June 2011*

# RUTINI

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2007

### MENDOZA, ARGENTINA



*As seen in...*



i-winereview.com

**88+** pts

*This 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon has a dark ruby color and aromas of black currants, blackberries, herbs/tobacco and oak. It is soft on the attack followed by concentrated black fruit on the palate with a touch of forest floor. It is soft on the palate with hints of mocha and has a long satisfying finish.*

*Report #26 - 2011*

# RUTINI

## Chardonnay 2009

Mendoza, Argentina



**89**pts

AS SEEN IN...

*Stephen Tanzer's*  
INTERNATIONAL WINE CELLAR

*Pale bright yellow. Sexy aromas and flavors of tropical fruits, white peach and vanillin oak lifted by a floral topnote. Fat and sweet but with nicely integrated peachy acidity providing shape to the middle palate. Very generous chardonnay with a persistent, smooth finish featuring sweet stone fruits and a touch of spicy oak.*

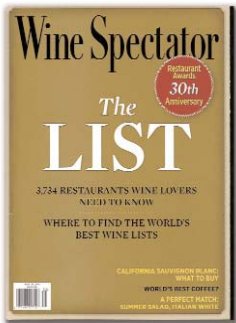
*-S.T.- March/April 2012*



# RUTINI

Chardonnay 2009

Mendoza, Argentina



**88**pts

AS SEEN IN...  
**Wine Spectator**

*Ripe and full-bodied, but fresh, with a creamy mouthfeel that lets pear, kaffir lime, apple and melon notes glide through the lengthy finish. Drink now.*

*-J.M. August 31, 2011*



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