



"Nicolás Catena Zapata is justly credited with putting Argentinean wines on the world map—by the best expedient of focusing entirely on quality. It's great to know he has started a wine dynasty, too."

JANCIS ROBINSON

BODEGA Y VIÑEDOS CATENA



CATENA

Made from 100% estate-grown fruit from the family's high-altitude vineyards; these wines capture the different expressions of each varietal across multiple altitudes, blending them in a signature style.

CATENA CHARDONNAY 2021: JAMES SUCKLING 92

WINE ADVOCATE 91+ / TIM ATKIN 91 / VINOUS 91

Price: "X"

*"Peaches, baked apples, apricot pie and lemon curd on the nose. Medium-bodied with fresh acidity and a creamy, succulent palate. Clean and fresh. **Sustainable.**"* James Suckling

CATENA MALBEC 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 91

VINOUS 91 / TIM ATKIN 90 / WINE ADVOCATE 90

Price: "X"

"The berry and floral character come through clearly on the nose and palate with a medium body, a medium-tannin backbone and a dark-walnut aftertaste." James Suckling

CATENA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 92

VINOUS 92 / TIM ATKIN 91 / WINE ADVOCATE 90

Price: "X"

"Blackberry and blackcurrant with some dark-tobacco character on the nose, following through to a **full-bodied palate with chewy yet polished tannins**. Fruit and mineral finish." James Suckling



CATENA APPELLATION

The flavors of our Catena Appellation "Village" wines express the diversity of terroir and the historic farming customs of these locations.

CATENA APPELLATION TUPUNGATO CHARDONNAY 2021: WINE ADVOCATE 92

JAMES SUCKLING 92

Price: "X"

"...is balsamic and has a medicinal hint, varietal with notes of waxy apples. It has a dry and chalky mouthfeel with pungent flavors, **clean, pure and balanced**. It finishes dry, long and clean". Wine Advocate

CATENA APPELLATION LUJAN DE CUYO WHITE CLAY 2021: JAMES SUCKLING 92

VINOUS 92 / WINE ADVOCATE 91

Price: "X"

"This has aromas of sliced apples, lemons, white pears, blanched almonds, yoghurt and chalk. It's medium-to full-bodied with a round, creamy and layered palate. **Excellent concentration and focus**. Mineral finish. Sémillon and Chenin Blanc. **Sustainable**." James Suckling

CATENA APPELLATION PARAJE ALTAMIRA MALBEC 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 94

WINE ADVOCATE 92 / VINOUS 92

Price: "X"

"This has a pretty nose of blueberries, pomegranates, rose hips, mint chocolate, lemon zest and crushed stones. Medium-bodied with very fine tannins. **Such a refined and cool palate**. Pure blue and purple fruit and flowers. **Very fine**. **Sustainable**." James Suckling

CATENA APPELLATION LA CONSULTA MALBEC 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 93

WINE ADVOCATE 91 / VINOUS 91 / WINE SPECTATOR 90

Price: "X"

"This has a perfumed nose of violets, currants, blueberries, pine, licorice and eucalyptus. It's medium-to full-bodied with silky, seamless tannins and a creamy texture. **Smooth and caressing**. **Fresh**. **Sustainable**." James Suckling

CATENA APPELLATION LUNLUNTA MALBEC 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 93

WINE ADVOCATE 92 / VINOUS 92 / WINE SPECTATOR 90

Price: "X"

"Purple plums, ripe blueberries, raspberries, cloves, chocolate orange, peppermint and hazelnuts on the nose. It's medium-bodied with a plush core of berry fruit, supported by creamy tannins. **Lovely texture. Sustainable.**" James Suckling

CATENA APPELLATION SAN CARLOS CABERNET FRANC 2020: WINE ADVOCATE 92

JAMES SUCKLING 92 / VINOUS 92

Price: "X"

"The 2020 Appellation San Carlos Cabernet Franc shows more freshness than the majority of other 2020. It has contained ripeness and moderate acidity, but the sensation of freshness goes beyond the acidity reading. **It shows varietal character, peppery and spicy, with very fine tannins.**" Wine Advocate

CATENA APPELLATION AGRELO CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 93

VINOUS 92 / WINE ADVOCATE 91

Price: "X"

"Fragrant nose of blackcurrants, dried blueberries, lavender, bark, graphite and cloves. It's medium-bodied with firm, velvety tannins. Perfumed, with lovely varietal character. **Fresh and focused. Sustainable. Better from 2024.**" James Suckling



D.V. CATENA HISTÓRICOS

This wine is our homage to Domingo Vicente Catena, the "master blender". Don Domingo, Laura Catena's grandfather, was famous in the 1930's for his deep dark red blend. This wine was sold in the French-styled bistrós of Buenos Aires – the Paris of South America – as the finest wine from the Mendoza region.

D.V. CATENA TINTO HISTÓRICO 2020: DESCORCHADOS 94

JAMES SUCKLING 93 / VINOUS 93

Price: "X"

"This has aromas of brambleberries, cherries, mushrooms, lemon leaves, dried flowers and licorice. Medium-bodied with well-integrated tannins. Spicy and fleshy on the palate with delicious walnut notes on the cool, fresh finish. **75% Malbec, 19% Bonarda and 6% Petit Verdot.**" James Suckling

D.V. CATENA MALBEC HISTÓRICO 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 94

Price: "X"

"This has aromas of dark cherries, plum stones, blueberries, crushed stones, hazelnuts and raw chocolate. It's medium-to full-bodied with a **creamy, supple palate**. Seamless tannins. Fresh, rounded finish. Blend of Malbec, Bonarda and Petit Verdot." James Suckling

D.V. CATENA CABERNET HISTÓRICO 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 94

Price: "X"

"This has an aromatic nose of ripe blackcurrants, praline, pine cones, sandalwood and mocha. It's medium-to full-bodied with firm, very fine tannins. **Fleshy and ripe, yet vibrant, with bright acidity.** Delicious finish." James Suckling



CATENA ALTA

ALTA means high, for CATENA's High-Altitude revolution – Nicolás Catena planted at high altitude looking for a cooler climate that would allow him to make wines with optimal natural acidity, complexity and the ability to age. HISTORIC ROWS refers to the row-by-row selection for the Alta wines from CATENA's Historic Vineyards – every vineyard has a sweet spot – that is where CATENA ALTA comes from.

CATENA ALTA CHARDONNAY 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 94

WINE ADVOCATE 92 / VINOUS 92 / TIM ATKIN 91

Price: "X"

*"This has aromas of grilled pineapple, ripe nectarine, mango stone, coconut and praline. Full-bodied, layered and creamy with delicious tropical-fruit and buttery notes. **Excellent length. Sustainable.**"* James Suckling

CATENA ALTA MALBEC 2019: VINOUS 95

WINE ADVOCATE 94 / JAMES SUCKLING 94 / TIM ATKIN 94 / WINE SPECTATOR 91

Price: "X"

*"The 2019 Catena Alta Malbec **transported me to the spirit of the 2016, both cool vintages.** It's a blend of grapes from different vineyards that were harvested at different times to ensure optimal natural acidity and moderate alcohol levels. Whole berries are hand-loaded into small-format fermentation bins and 225- to 500-liter barrels. It shows precision and is clean, floral and really elegant, a little closed at first. The palate reveals a very fine thread, satin-like tannins and lively acidity with some blood orange hints. **This is phenomenal.**"* Wine Advocate

CATENA ALTA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2019: WINE ADVOCATE 93

JAMES SUCKLING 93 / VINOUS 93 / TIM ATKIN 91

Price: "X"

*"As with most Cabernet Sauvignon from Catena, the 2019 Catena Alta Cabernet Sauvignon is not a 100% varietal wine but a blend of **96% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Cabernet Franc**, as Cabernet Sauvignon on its own is often not complete enough. The Cabernet Franc must have given it an extra kick of freshness, increasing the already fresh character of the year. The palate is medium-bodied with plenty of herbal and fresh flavors and very fine, varietal tannins." Wine Advocate*



BODEGA CATENA ZAPATA

Four generations of the Catena family have farmed the vineyards of Mendoza, ever since Italian founder Nicola Catena planted his first Malbec vines in 1902.

Robert Parker's 2005 book about the 100 "Greatest World Wine Estates" featured only one winery from South America: Catena Zapata. Parker wrote: "Argentina's greatest visionary is Nicolás Catena Zapata, and his crusade for high-altitude vineyards and conservative viticultural practices has resulted in one after another breakthrough wines that have pushed Argentina to the forefront of the modern winemaking revolution."

Joined by his daughter Dr. Laura Catena in 1995, the father-daughter team's vision is to elevate Argentine wine for another 100 years through the study of high-altitude terroir and the preservation of ungrafted Malbec and Cabernet Sauvignon massale selections.

In 2018 Catena Zapata joined La Place with two wines: Nicolás Catena Zapata, the winery's top Cabernet Sauvignon blend, and Adrianna Vineyard Mundus Bacillus Terrae, the winery's top Malbec *cru*.



CATENA ZAPATA MALBEC ARGENTINO 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 98

WINE ADVOCATE 95 / VINOUS 95 / TIM ATKIN 94 / WINE & SPIRITS 94

Price: "X"

"Perfumed and seductive nose of purple plums, blueberries, dried roses, violets, lemon zest, chocolate, truffles and cigar box. It's full-bodied, yet so elegant and weightless. Seamless, finely knit tannins. Beautiful, lengthy finish. Try from 2024." James Suckling

No matter what the vintage is, this wine is really more than 100 years old. It represents a family's journey to produce an Argentine Malbec that can stand with the great wines of the world. Old Vines from the Catena Zapata Family Vineyards, Nicasia and Angélica.

Ten Centuries of Life, Death and Rebirth. The epic tale of the noble Malbec grape is like no other, and the label for Catena Zapata Malbec Argentino pays tribute to the variety's history in France and its rise in Argentina. Four female figures embody different landmarks in the history of the grape. Eleanor of Aquitaine represents the birth of Malbec. She is a strong, Old World presence, lingering at the bridge in Cahors, where Malbec came into its own. Next, the Immigrant symbolizes the movement to the New World and the unknown explorers and adventurers who connected Europe with the Americas. Phylloxera personifies the death of Malbec in the Old World, which enabled its rebirth in the new. Finally, there is Catena Zapata, represented by Adrianna Catena, who depicts birth, earth, and motherhood, sharing the riches of the New World. Today, the Catena family's fourth generation leads the high-altitude renaissance in Argentina. We are returning Malbec to the sky... where it belongs.

CATENA ZAPATA NICASIA VINEYARD MALBEC 2019: WINE ADVOCATE 97

DECANTER BEST IN SHOW 97 / VINOUS 96 / JAMES SUCKLING 95 / TIM ATKIN 94

Price: "X"

*"It's a classical Malbec, **balanced and elegant but also powerful with fine tannins**. It finishes with violets and spice. It's a Malbec with spicy oak."* Wine Advocate

*"**Few red wines can rival grand Argentinian Malbec for drama and grandeur**, and this version from the Altamira zone of La Consulta (in the Uco Valley) stood out even amongst its dramatic, strikingly proled peers. It is jet black, just shot with purple at the rim. Soaringly expressive Malbec rose and tea leaf lifts from the glass with enviable purity, without a trace of distorting oak. In the mouth, it is deep and long: an arrow of fruit yet elegant, deftly textured with a snow of fine tannins, and devoid of alcoholic heat or intrusive, strenuous acidity. **A sumptuous, haute-couture Malbec where the vineyard's untrammled fruit and inner radiance has been given voice.**"* Decanter World Wine Awards

Located in the far southerly growing region of Paraje Altamira in La Consulta, the Nicasia vineyard is the only planting of the special Catena Zapata Selection of Malbec cuttings in this traditional area for Malbec. La Consulta was Nicolás Catena Zapata's father Domingo's preferred Malbec location. This wine is made from a meticulous vine selection in the best, historic rows of the wine's namesake vineyard. These Zapata Vines are carefully hand-tended and produce extremely low yields. The wine is aged in French oak barrels for 18 months. Made in very limited quantities.



NICOLÁS CATENA ZAPATA

*"It strikes me as being Argentina's equivalent of
a great vintage of Lafite-Rothschild"*

**98+ ROBERT PARKER JR'S THE WINE ADVOCATE
on Nicolás Catena Zapata 2004**

NICOLÁS CATENA ZAPATA 2019: JAMES SUCKLING 98

TIM ATKIN 98 / WINE ADVOCATE 96 / VINOUS 96 / DECANTER 94

Price: "X"

*"This has a complex nose of baked blackberries, grilled plums, dried earth, moss, pine cones, sandalwood, charcoal and cloves. It's medium-bodied with firm, tightly knit tannins. Wow. So much going on. Layered, seamless and silky. **Incredible length. Keeps going. 42% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Malbec and 28% Cabernet Franc.** Try this from 2024."* James Suckling

With its inaugural 1997 vintage, Nicolás Catena Zapata became the first luxury cuvée from Argentina to be exported around the world. The wine recreates the "Original Bordeaux Blend" of the 18th and 19th Centuries, when Malbec dominated over Merlot and was in equal standing to Cabernet Sauvignon in the Médoc. Pre-phylloxeric Malbec and

Cabernet Sauvignon massale selections of ungrafted vines give rise to this wine, opening a window to the past from the mountain vineyards of Mendoza, Argentina.



ADRIANNA VINEYARD

South America's Grand Cru

"Words do not do justice to this beauty."

LUIS GUTIERREZ, ROBERT PARKER JR'S THE WINE ADVOCATE



ADRIANNA VINEYARD WHITE STONES CHARDONNAY 2020: JAMES SUCKLING 97

VINOUS 97 / WINE ADVOCATE 96 / TIM ATKIN 95

Price: "X"

*"Lemon zest, pineapple, white pepper, cloves, jasmine, **crushed stones and chalk on the nose**. Medium-bodied, focused and phenolic. Very fine, mineral and tight with persistent energy and vivid acidity. Creamy, with salted-almond notes at the end. Drink from 2023."* James Suckling

White Stones Chardonnay comes from a select 27 rows within Block 1 of the Adrianna Vineyard. The name refers to the ground beneath the vines which is covered with gravel - oval white stones.

The rocky soil prevents deep root growth and allows for ideal drainage conditions. These are very poor soils where the vines are constantly in conditions of stress. The cool nights allow for very slow ripening, optimal acid retention and low yields.

ADRIANNA VINEYARD WHITE BONES CHARDONNAY 2020: WINE ADVOCATE 99

JAMES SUCKLING 99 / VINOUS 96 / TIM ATKIN 96 / WINE SPECTATOR 95

Price: "X"

*"The nose is an explosion of thyme and rockrose, aromatic, open, expressive, outspoken, showy and exuberant. It also has notes of white flowers and citrus, pine needles and incense, continuously developing new layers, curry, something smoky, more and more aromatic herbs, nuanced, complex and with a magnetic attraction that makes you go back to the glass over and over again. This is very tasty and long, stony (more than White Stones!) and very persistent. **Amazing juice!**"*

Wine Advocate

White Bones Chardonnay comes from select rows within Block 1 of the Adrianna Vineyard. The name refers to the soil underneath these rows, which is layered with calcareous deposits and limestone as well as fossilized animal bones - remnants of a river that used to pass through the region. There are many theories about why the grapes coming from these rows have such distinctive floral aromatics with an earthy minerality in the nose and palate. It may be related to the minerals in the soil or to the effects that the calcareous deposits have on root penetration. At this extreme high altitude, the nights are cool, only a few degrees above freezing even in the summer. The night-day temperature difference is between 15 and 20 degrees. And the sunlight is more intense because of the altitude.

ADRIANNA VINEYARD FORTUNA TERRAE MALBEC 2019: JAMES SUCKLING 99

WINE ADVOCATE 97+ / WINE SPECTATOR 96 / VINOUS 95 / TIM ATKIN 94

Price: "X"

*"Blackberries with some black tea and perfumes. Full-bodied with fine, dusty tannins and seamless texture. **So long and consistent.** 60% whole cluster fermentation with 14 months in oak casks. **Glorious, tactile wine.** Drinkable now, but better in three or four years."* James Suckling

Fortuna Terrae means 'luck of the earth' in Latin which best describes the Malbec parcel of Adrianna Vineyard from which this wine is made. Deep, loamy soils combined with the altitude help this wine deliver optimal acidity with delicate floral aromas.

ADRIANNA VINEYARD RIVER MALBEC 2019: WINE ADVOCATE 99

JAMES SUCKLING 98 / VINOUS 97 / TIM ATKIN 95

Price: "X"

*"It's the equivalent to the White Stones white, with a north-facing exposure, the warmer exposure, which in cooler years like 2019 works nicely. **The wine has harmony and subtleness, insinuating violets and wet stones, with a rare combination of power and elegance, with minerality and spice, precise, focused and harmonious.** The tannins are abundant but very fine and ripe with a chalky sensation in the finish."* Wine Advocate

River Malbec is named for the section of Adrianna Vineyard that was once a river but whose ground is filled with white stones, which provides optimal drainage and helps moderate extreme temperatures while developing a wine that is extremely aromatic, rich and luxurious.

ADRIANNA VINEYARD MUNDUS BACILLUS TERRAE MALBEC 2019: WINE ADVOCATE 98

JAMES SUCKLING 97 / TIM ATKIN 97 / VINOUS 96 / DECANTER 96

Price: "X"

*"**Sleek, elegant, polished, nicely crafted, clean and harmonious,** easy to listen to (and drink to) with a soft side to it. The wine has ripeness (14% alcohol) but also high acidity from the high-altitude vineyards, which makes it very lively, beautifully textured, balanced and elegant. Beautiful."* Wine Advocate

Mundus Bacillus Terrae Malbec is named for the unique microorganisms found in the limestone layered soil in a small parcel of the vineyard. This wine delivers high acidity coupled with chalky tannins and unbelievable freshness.



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