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Buyer Toby Morrhall was smitten as soon as he tasted this beautiful wine made from 70 year old vines. The intense greengage aroma and flavour are what he looks for in semillon. But it was the lovely, unforced concentration of the palate that took his breath away. Some call it "old vine texture". Mysteriously, nothing else seems to be able to replicate the innate intensity of flavour found in wine made from the grapes of old vines. The explanation appears to be that as a vine ages its vessels constrict like human arteries, reducing both its vegetative vigour and the size and quantity of its berries.

Very light nose, some waxy texture but not much in the middle. (RH)

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Date tasted	04 Mar 2010
Producer	Mendel
Appellation	Mendoza
Vintage	2009
Region	Mendoza
Country	Argentina
Score	15
Colour	White
Alcohol	13.5%
When to drink	2010 to 2011
Published	01 Apr 2010
Reviewer	RH
Price/Stockist	£9.95 The Wine Society