

Wine Advocate's Robert Parker Review

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The Wine Advocate
Tasting History



2009 Mendel Finca Remota

A Malbec Dry Red Table wine from
Lujan de Cuyo, Mendoza, Argentina



Source

Reviewer

Rating

Maturity

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Jay Miller

94+

Drink: 2011 -
2024

The 2009 Finca Remota is 100% Malbec that received extended hang time and was sourced from the estate's coolest parcel. It was aged for 12 months in 100% new French oak, after which 50% of the wine spent an additional 8 months in new oak. A glass-coating opaque purple color, it sports an aromatic array dominated by exotic spices, sandalwood, incense, lavender, black cherry, and blueberry. Dense, rich, and loaded, this beautifully proportioned offering has the structure to evolve for another 3-4 years and will deliver prime drinking through 2024+.

Mendel is a partnership of renowned winemaker Roberto de la Mota and Annabelle Sielecki whose family owns the vineyards. As a postscript, while visiting the winery in October 2011, I was also shown the 2006, 2007, and 2008 vintages of Finca Remota, which have been reviewed before in these pages. They are performing as well or better than I previously reported.