

## Wine Advocate's Robert Parker Review

December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008



**2006 Mendel Malbec**  
**A Malbec Dry Red table wine from**  
**Mendoza, Argentina**

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity
Wine Advocate # 180 Dec 2008	Jay Miller	92	Drink N/A

The entry-level 2006 Malbec was sourced from a 78-year-old estate vineyard, aged for 12 months in 40% new French oak, and bottled without fining or filtration. Purple-colored, it exhibits an impressive nose of wood smoke, tobacco, rose petal, blueberry, and black raspberry. This leads to a medium-bodied wine in which notes of cola, coffee, and caramel emerge on the palate. Elegantly styled, with racy flavors, good balance, and a pure finish, it will evolve for 2-3 years but can be enjoyed now.

Mendel's talented winemaker is Roberto de la Mota of Cheval de los Andes fame.

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