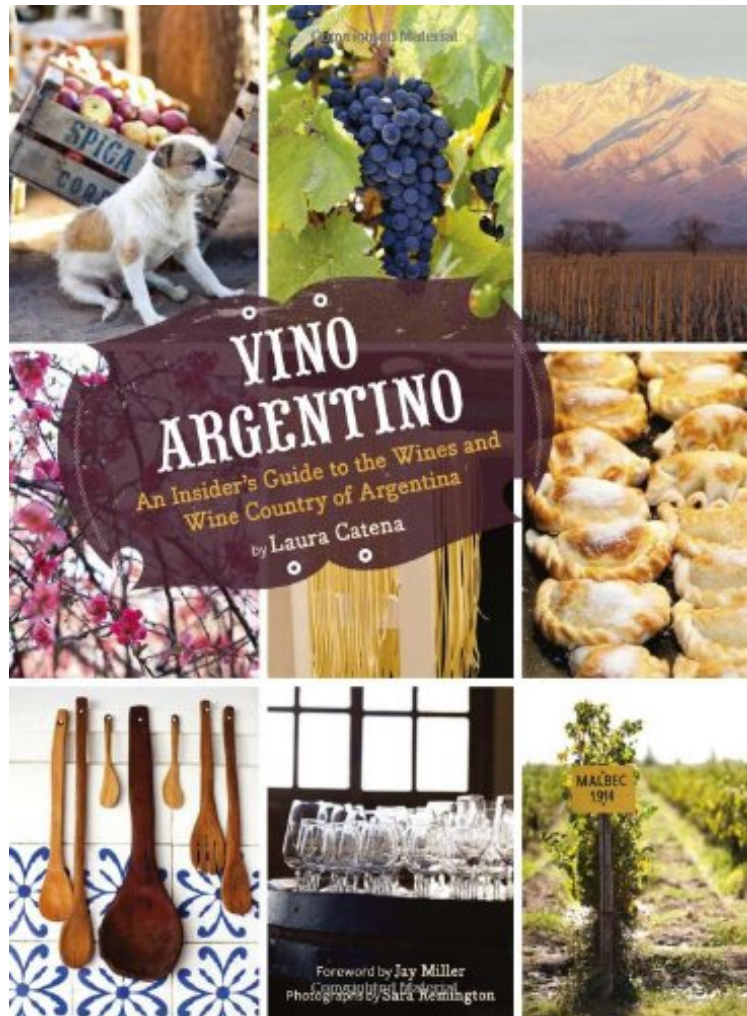


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Laura Catena : *Vino Argentino: An Insider's Guide to the Wines and Wine Country of Argentina* before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised *Vino Argentino: An Insider's Guide to the Wines and Wine Country of Argentina*:

14 of 14 people found the following review helpful. Good (but not in depth) book; it may tempt you to visit Argentina.By vinegirlWII enjoyed reading this book. However, a really apt description I read from Laura Cantena is that it's her "personal invitation to visit Argentina" and it's wine country. So, it's a bit more high level and less detailed than I'd have liked (which is why I gave it 4 rather than 5 stars), almost reading like a general guidebook, albeit with Laura Cantena as your guide. I was hoping for more in depth details about the wine regions of Argentina. Instead, the

wine regions profiled are covered rather briefly and different aspects are highlighted, but not really in depth. It does give you a sort of general idea about the culture and ambiance of each region, and after reading it there are definitely some areas I'd like to visit, and I really want to find a Torrontes from Salta now too. A large section of the book is the included Argentine recipes (most sound like they would take a lot of time - someday when I have a lot of spare time, I would like to try them, as they do sound good) and a suggested 2-week itinerary for visiting there. The photos in the book are gorgeous, if only they were bigger! Overall, I'd recommend the book if you want to know a bit about Argentina wine regions, just understand its not exhaustive coverage of the topic. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Laura Catena is a true insider of Argentine wine. By JoseMM-L Written in a breezy, personal style, Laura Catena is a true insider and member the leading family of wine in Argentina. She manages to be fair and objective, and makes difficult material easy for the casual wine reader. It was certainly helpful on my trip to Mendoza and Salta (Cafayate). It should be updated every few years. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. BIBENDUM! By Owl "Vino Argentino- an insider's Guide to the Wines and Wine Country of Argentina" was bought as background reading for an Argentine evening. You know, small group of drinking eating buddies meeting monthly or whatever around a themed cuisine. Original idea? Nope. But delicious. For such a purpose, this book is splendid. it is organized by regions in Argentina covering that large socialy, economically, and for our lusty purposes here, geographically. Within each region, a fine wine estate(s) is selected, and we can read quite delightful stories about the estate's history, owners, their approach to wine-making, technical details (well illustrated) and delectably much about the terroir and the nature of the local wine. Using the book, we selected wines for our evening and they were splendid. But there are other purposes than wine selection for reading this Guide to the Wines and Wine Country of Argentina. Many of us delight in surrogate travel, and this is a grand travel book. One could plan a wine-lovers Argentine adventure using the information, or travel as Emily Dickenson wrote on the frigate that is a book, taking us miles away. I have no criticisms but what a package if offered the book together with a case of the wines described! Just note this is NOT about bargain wines of Argentina, so if you want cheap but good enough wines (and I often do myself) or are comfortable only relying on Expert X's rating, this is not the book for you. If you are delighted to branch out, explore, enjoy wine in the company of good writers, this could be just what you'd like. Thus fellow lovers of travel and lovers of wine, buy this with confidence realizing of course any book can be somewhat outdated that speaks of wineries and restaurants-----and let us drink: BIBENDUM!

In this book part wine primer, part cultural exploration, part introduction to the Argentine lifestyle discover where to eat, what to see, and how to travel like a local with Laura Catena, the Argentina-born, United States-educated, globetrotting wine star. The world's fifth largest producer of wine, Argentina is home to malbec, the country's best-known indigenous grape. More than 400,000 Americans and 600,000 Europeans visit Argentina every year to enjoy the mighty malbec, taste unparalleled food, trek the wide-open country, and tango all night long in Buenos Aires. *Vino Argentino* provides insider access to beautiful Argentina.

From Publishers Weekly Argentina's reputation as a producer of wonderful wine is on the rise; it's now the world's sixth-largest, and wine-based tourism is rapidly growing. Author and vintner Catena (Mendoza: *Our Terroir*), the fourth generation of her family to produce wine, keeps her tight focus on the country's Mendoza region and the many wineries that take advantage of its "envious terroir...of low-fertility soils, cool mountain nights, sunny days, and low humidity." These qualities appeal to tourists as well, and Catena's effort, including friendly conversations with wine-makers, intimate looks at restaurants and wines, a chapter of recipes, and well-researched historical anecdotes, provides ample temptation to visit, aided by Sara Remington's luminous photos of the Mendoza region and its people. Catena could have included a few more trappings to make her book more vacation-friendly (like a map of the country or a discussion of cost) but, as the title promises, her focus is wine, not museums, parks, or malls, and it makes a nice addition for the wine lover. Photos. (c) Copyright PWxyz, LLC. All rights reserved. About the Author Laura Catena belongs to the fourth generation of an Argentine-Italian winemaking family and serves as president of Botega Catena Zapata. She splits her time between San Francisco and Mendoza. Sara Remington is a San Francisco-based photographer.