

# Decanter

## Argentina's top 10 producers

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### Finca Decero

When building Decero from scratch, Swiss owner Thomas Schmidheiny took a long-term approach. He made full use of the apparent 'disadvantage' of Decero's newcomer status. With only four vintages on record, efforts have already paid off: remarkable wines, sensitively priced. All are made from Decero's sustainably farmed Remolinos vineyard in Agrelo. Estate manager Juan Marcó explains that the winemakers are not creators, only mindful translators. 'Our style is an honest reflection of Remolinos' subtleties and balance.' The estate has three ranges: all red, and all 100% varietal: Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah and Petit Verdot. But the top wine, Amano, is a blend of mainly Malbec and Cabernet — varieties the team believes are well suited to the Agrelo terroir.



One to try:

**Finca Decero, Remolinos Vineyard Petit Verdot, Agrelo, Mendoza 2009 ★★★★★**

Intense mineral, pencil shaving, boysenberry and green pepper notes. Densely layered palate backed by grainy structured tannins. Real savouriness and length. A Petit Verdot in a league of its own. **Drink:** 2011-2015.



**Above: all Finca Decero wines are from its sustainably farmed Remolinos vineyard**