

This wine has been specially selected for World Wine Headquarters portfolio of wines from around the world.



It exhibits the qualities and distinctiveness that warrants its recognition as one of the world's finest wines.

# ICHANKA

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**A magical vineyard location amongst the mountains. Pristine and unpopulated. Distinctive wines with great depth of flavor and wonderful elegance.**

**I**chanka translates as "Water of the Condor" ("I" = water). The little hamlet of Ichanka, located on the Estate, was an important source of spring water to the indigenous Indians. This secret water source was discovered courtesy of the Condors that would be seen hovering over the spring.

In part this was the inspiration to plant vines here in the early 90's. The vineyard location is quite magical. It's

a pristine and sparsely populated environment, with mountains to the west and east. A unique microclimate. Great exposure to sunshine. A dry environment, with warm days and very cool nights. Abundance of water deep below the surface ensures that water is available when needed. Ideally suited to producing both earlier ripening "vibrant" white varieties as well as intensely flavored reds, notably Bonarda. Produces wines with great depth of flavor, with wonderful elegance and vibrant character.

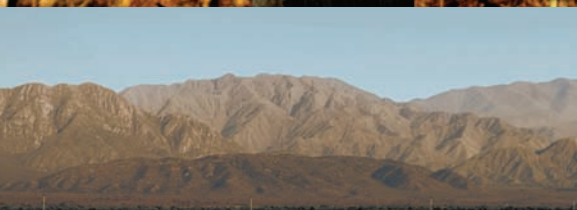
## Fast Facts

### Location:


- Valle de La Puerta Estate, Famatina Valley in La Rioja.
- Between Famatina and Velasco ranges.
- Chilcicito is closest town.
- Latitude 29,1 S
- Longitude 67.3 W
- Elevation: 1,000M/3,280ft.

### Climate:

- Warm & semi arid. Cool nights.
- Rainfall 100-200mm/4-8in pa.
- Deep sandy clay soils. Alluvial.
- Area under Vine: 150 hectares (+600 hectares of olives!!).
- Varieties: Torrontes, Sauvignon Blanc, Shiraz, Malbec, Bonarda
- Trellising: Pergola system. Hand pruned & hand picked.
- Winemaker: Javier Collovati



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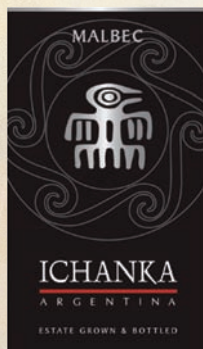
## The Wines (Single Vineyard)



### 2010 Ichanka Sauvignon Blanc

La Rioja Truly one of the most distinctive (and deceptive!!) Sauvignon Blancs I have tried. A single vineyard wine that exhibits wonderfully delicate aromatics of stonefruits and hints of melon. Yet on the palate whilst these delicate characters continue, the wine has intense flavors and just a fabulously long and lingering finish. A very beautiful wine.

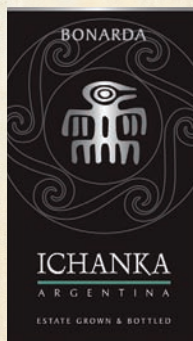
**Technical Data:** Alcohol: 13,2% by vol. • Acidity: 5,34 g/l  
• Residual Sugar: 1,05 g/l • PH: 3,4



### 2009 Ichanka Malbec

This Single Vineyard Malbec from this remote vineyard in the province of La Rioja is a wonderfully lush, rich yet elegant expression of Argentina's most popular variety. Boysenberry, plum, and raspberries dominate the aromas and palate of this wine. Yet its elegant, smooth as silk, and lingers long after the first sip. Spectacular.

**Technical Data:** Alcohol: 13,5% by vol. • Acidity: 5,23 g/l •  
Residual Sugar: 3 g/l • PH: 3,6 • Dry Extract: 31,72 g/l



### 2009 Ichanka Bonarda

Bonarda is a variety that can be beautiful or brutal. This Single Vineyard wine from this remote province of La Rioja is undoubtedly a very beautiful expression of this variety of Italian origin. Aromatics that remind me of Pinot Noir or the finest Nebbiolo, on the palate the wine is lush, fresh and has great dimension with plum, cherry characters in abundance. The finish is long and lingering. Enjoy.

**Technical Data:** Alcohol: 13,5% by vol. • Acidity: 5,4 g/l  
• Residual Sugar: 2,85 g/l • PH: 3,6 • Dry Extract: 34,02 g/l