



WINERY PROFILE: AMALAYA

Amalaya offers high elevation expressions of Argentina’s signature varietals, crafting wines that reach Beyond The Expected to deliver unique offerings that reflect the winery’s home in the Northern Calchaquí Valley.

Sourced primarily from estate vineyards in the Salta province at elevations beginning at 5,400 feet above sea level, Amalaya Malbec is a red fruit focused wine with a surprising richness and depth of flavors with crisp acidity enhanced by the intense sunlight of the Andes mountain range.

Amalaya also features a distinctive Torrontés/Riesling blend which offers dramatic aromatics and crisp minerality.

When Donald Hess first explored the high reaches of Salta, the local indigenous people impressed him with their closeness to the land and their innate belief in sustainability. In seeking harmony with nature, reflected in their culture by the Goddess Pachamama, or Mother Earth, who presides over each harvest, each growing season a series of rituals and community ceremonies sought to assure a favorable blessing for a successful harvest. Amalaya, in the local language, translates as “hope for a miracle” capturing the essence and closeness of this connection to the land.

Winemaker Francisco Puga approaches each vintage knowing that this measure of respect is as important an ingredient as the exceptional fruit from these mountain vineyards.

Amalaya, historically part of Colomé, is now produced in its own winery in Cafayate.