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# Tasting Note

## **ARGENTO WINE COMPANY** **Chardonnay, Argento**

The Argento Wine Company uses the latest in vineyard and cellar technology to create wines which reflect characters typical of the Mendoza region of Argentina. The use of fruit from higher, cooler areas has enabled us to create elegant wines with fruit purity and finesse. We believe these are wines with broad appeal but also with a strong sense of place and that they are an excellent representation of the outstanding quality that Argentina is capable of.

### **TASTING NOTE**

An exceptional, lightly oaked Chardonnay which offers aromas of ripe citrus and tropical fruits. Concentrated grapefruit, apple and pear fruit flavours are complimented with subtle minerality leading into a fresh crisp finish.

### **VARIETAL COMPOSITION**

100% Chardonnay

### **REGION**

East Oasis, Uco Valley,  
800-1100m above sea level

### **ABV**

13.2%

### **FERMENTATION**

Stainless steel fermentation  
15/18°C for 25 days

### **OAK**

14% volume for 4 months ageing and malolactic fermentation in French oak

### **RESIDUAL SUGAR**

2.37g/L

### **ACIDITY/pH**

5.6g/L 3.32pH

### **WINEMAKER**

Silvia Corti and Gerardo Cirrincione

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*General List Reviews*

## **Argento 2010 Chardonnay, Toronto Life Eating & Drinking Guide 2012**

Argento continues to pack in over-the-top tropical fruit, clove and buttery flavours into this vintage. It's full-bodied, rich and almost soupy, with some sweetness and alcohol heat. Chill very well.

## **Argento Chardonnay 2010, 86 Points, WineAlign Website, May 2011**

Juicy, appealing with plenty of sweet oak, pineapple and baking spice. Good concentration of flavour with plenty of commercial appeal. Warm with apple and tropical fruit as well as creamy oak. Delivers good impact and impressive quality for the price. Sara d'Amato

## **Argento Chardonnay 2010, 87 Points, WineAlign Website, May 2011**

This wine delivers each vintage with the 2010 again very classy for such an inexpensive wine. It is well balanced for food. The nose shows aromas of ripe apple, melon with lemon and floral notes. The palate is mid-weight creamy and well balanced with the oak nicely integrated. Good to very good length. Try with pan fried seafood. Steve Thurlow

## **Argento 2009 Chardonnay, 86/100, Toronto Life Eating & Drinking Guide 2011**

With pineapple, orange and tobacco-like spice aromas, Argento's chardonnay is full bodied, with a sour edge that cuts the sweetness. Though lacking finesse (the finish is bitter), there's lots of stuffing for the price (DL)

## **ARGENTO 2009 CHARDONNAY, Scores 87 Points, Steve's Top 50 Value Wines from the LCBO - Wine Align Website September 2010**

The 2009 again offers great value. It is more restrained and softer than previous vintages, a little classier and better balanced for food. The nose shows aromas of ripe apple, melon with a melba toast and floral notes. The palate is midweight creamy and well balanced with oak nicely integrated. Good to very good length. A great wine-by-the glass pour don't overchill or you might miss some of the nuances.



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## **ARGENTO 2009 CHARDONNAY, Rated 87, Wine Align website July 2010**

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## **ARGENTO 2008 CHARDONNAY, Scores 85 Points, Toronto Life Eating & Drinking Guide 2010**

This is a straightforward tropical fruit-scented chardonnay with pineapple, banana and a hint of spicy oak seasoning. Fairly full-bodied, initially soft, before a blunt, hot finish. Serve chilled, Good Length.

## **ARGENTO 2008 CHARDONNAY, SCORES 88 POINTS, The Toronto Star, January 21, 2009**

Wine: Old and New World delights offer great value  
Gordon Stimmell

The entire Argento line of Argentine wines is delivering excellent value. I previously rated their Malbec and Pinot Grigio highly, and now the Chardonnay joins the squad with the 2008 freshly arrived on shelves.

*"One of the best-value Chardonnays in LCBO stores. Aromas show buttery apple wood notes, with hints of lime and pine nuts. The flavours hint of buttery hazelnuts, lime and lemon grass. The finish is long and deliciously mellow, with lingering citrus elements, plus pear and apple accents."*

**LCBO #** 591701

**Food suggestion:** Chicken Kiev

**Rating:** 88 out of 100



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## **ARGENTO 2008 CHARDONNAY, Scores 88 Points, Wine Access Buyer's Guide + January 16, 2009**

**Argento 2008 Chardonnay 88 Points  
Mendoza, Argentina**

*"Great value in a very correct, well-balanced, rich chardonnay. The nose shows ripe apple, honey, with warm oak spice nicely integrated, plus lemon notes. Rich creamy palate with lots going on for the money. Well-balanced. Good to very good length. Try with creamy pasta sauces, tempura fried food and roast fowl."*

Tasted By: Steve Thurlow  
ON \$10