

BODEGA CHACRA

PATAGONIA - RIO NEGRO

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There's some mighty fine wine in them there hills.

Saddle up, pardner. We're off to Argentina

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My mind was blown this week by Argentina's potential for fine wine when I tasted **Chacra Pinot Noir '32' 2009**. The wine comes from Patagonia and felt more like a two-week trip to the Land of Glory than a sip of vino.

With complex aromas and flavours proffering layer after layer – from cherry, almond, raspberry, perfume, juniper, anise and an overwhelming sense of purity – this wine convinced me in a single sip that Argentina is able to make serious, fine and age-worthy wines. With a respectable 13.5 per cent alcohol and enough structure to carry the flavours, this is a big fat wow wine.

And believe it or not, it matches impeccably with fresh raspberries – as I discovered during some impromptu food pairing experiments.

And, since you asked, it's organic. It's available from leaandsandeman.co.uk for... Hold onto your wallet, this may pinch a bit... £58.50. Worth every penny.

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