

FRENCH IN ESSENCE, CHILEAN BY BIRTH





VINTAGE: 2022

**TYPE OF WINE**: Red Varietal **D.O.**: Valle de Colchagua

**VARIETIES:** 86% Cabernet Sauvignon

11% Syrah 3% Petit Verdot HARVEST: April 5<sup>th</sup> to April 22<sup>th</sup>

PRODUCTION: 7.700 cases of 9L equivalent

### **TASTING NOTES**

COLOR: Purple red with dark red edges.

NOSE: Fresh red fruit aromas such as strawberry and plums juice, and a

spicy expression of cardamom and red paprika.

PALATE: Round and well integrated tannins, with an elegant and pleasant

structure.

### SERVICE AND FOOD PAIRING

Open and serve between 16°C and 18°C (65°F). Ideal companion for stewed and grilled meat in a variety of preparations.

## **TECHNICAL DATA**

Alcohol Content: 14% vol.

**pH**: 3.68

**Total Acidity**: 3.49 gr/L (SO<sub>4</sub>) **Residual Sugar**: 2.49 gr/L

### WINEMAKING

Maceration Time: 25 days

Fermentation Type: 100% in Stainless steel tanks

**Fermentation Temperature**: 24°C- 28°C

Ageing:~49% of the blend for 12 months in used French oak barrels, 51% in

Stainless Steel tanks. **Bottling Date**: July, 2023 **Ageing Potential**: 5 to 8 years

# **VINTAGE CONDITIONS IN 2022**

The vintage brough a second year of cooler conditions. The winter was mostly dry all through the season but we had some very welcomed rains concentrated in August. The winter had lower minima and also higher maxima in June. Springtime started slowly and with inconsistent conditions, with a cold September, a hot October and November ending with a cold December. These unstable conditions explain the delay in both shooting and flowering. The summer carried over the cooler temperatures. The condition of moderate temperatures during the ripening period of the fruit, paved the way for crafting wines that express very well the different microterroirs of Apalta. They have expressive fruit, good density and texture, with balance and very good ageing potential.



