



2013 CHILCAS SINGLE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

WINEMAKER: Camilo Viani
REGION: Casablanca Valley, Chile
VARIETALS: 100% Pinot Noir
MATURATION: 12 months in 100% French oak (15% new barrels)
ANALYSIS: 14% alc/vol | TA: 5.60 g/L | pH: 3.40

VINTAGE:

The 2013 growing season was especially cold in Casablanca Valley, which caused the grapes to ripen 10 days later than usual. This prompted the need for very careful work in the vineyard to allow the grapes to ripen while remaining healthy. The cold season accentuated the freshness and natural acidity of the grapes, as well as their intense aromas of fresh fruit and violets.

WINEMAKING:

The grapes were hand-picked during the second week of April and immediately transported to the winery for sorting and gentle de-stemming. Next, the fruit was cold macerated for four to six days followed by a warm fermentation in open-topped stainless steel tanks which are ideal for making this delicate variety. The ferment lasted three to four weeks and punch downs took place two to three times daily. The wine was then aged for twelve months in French oak barrels.

TASTING NOTES:

The 2013 Single Vineyard Pinot Noir has seductive aromas of sweet and sour cherries, black raspberries, cloves, hazelnuts and Earl Grey tea, along with a smooth mouthfeel. Elegant in texture, with great volume and fresh fruit flavors that deliver a long, smooth and fruity finish.

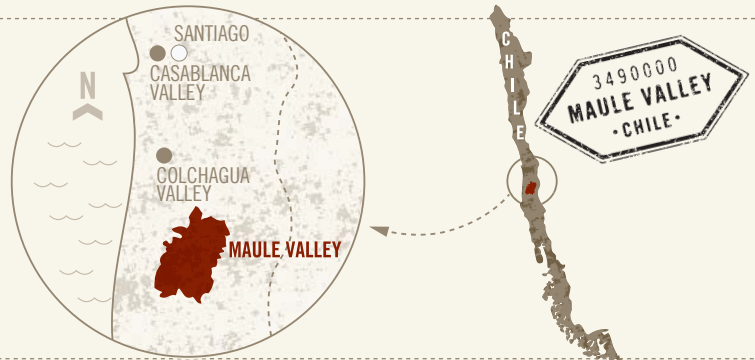
CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Not yet reviewed.

ABOUT CHILCAS:

Nestled in the foothills of the Andes Mountains, in the shadow of the Descabezado Volcano, lies the Chilcas flagship Maule Valley San Rafael Vineyard. Named for a native Chilean bush with fine pigment that grows in the region, Chilcas wines exude a sense of place and strong varietal expression. With an emphasis on the Maule Valley, Winemaker Camilo Viani aims to produce the finest wines from more than 2,500 acres of estate vineyards in the Maule, Curico, Colchagua and Casablanca Valleys and across three tiers of wines - Reservas, Icons and Single Vineyards. A true steward to the land, Chilcas is intensely committed to sustainability and, as part of the VIA Wines family, has been certified sustainable under Wines of Chile's Sustainability program.



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