



## 2014 CHILENSIS RESERVA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

**WINEMAKER:** Claudio Ramirez  
**REGION:** Colchagua Valley, Chile  
**VARIETALS:** Cabernet Sauvignon  
**MATURATION:** 60% aged for 10 months in French and American oak  
**ANALYSIS:** 13.5% alc/vol | TA: 4.95 g/L | pH: 3.66

### VINEYARD:

The Cabernet Sauvignon grapes come from fifteen-year-old vines from Chilensis' Nilahue vineyard in the Colchagua Valley (81 miles south of Santiago). The valley sits between two spurs of the Andes Mountains, which form the basin's natural boundaries and produce a corridor that runs from the mountains to the sea, a feature unique among the valleys of Central Chile. In the summer months (November–April), the average day/night temperature oscillation reaches 71°F on average, which allows the grapes to ripen slowly, concentrating and preserving their flavors, aromas, and color. Yield was just over three tons per acre.

### WINEMAKING:

The grapes were hand-picked the third week of April and then immediately sorted at the winery and gently de-stemmed to ensure only minimal breakage of the berries. The grapes were cold macerated for three days followed by a warm ferment for 28-35 days and punch downs took place two to three times daily. 60% of the wine was then aged for ten months in French and American oak barrels.

### TASTING NOTES:

The 2014 Reserva Cabernet Sauvignon presents a deep and intense cherry-red color. Aromas of ripe red berries, plums and spice are accompanied by sweet vanilla notes from maturation in oak. Medium bodied and juicy on the palate while also showing the variety's characteristic structure and strength with smooth, round tannins on a long finish.

### CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

Not yet reviewed. 2013 vintage: **89 pts** Vinous

### ABOUT CHILENSIS:

Chilensis is the epitome of Chile; the word itself means Chilean or coming from Chile. Based in the Maule Valley, Chilensis produces estate wines that are an authentic reflection of Chile's most prestigious wine appellations, including the Maule, Casablanca and Colchagua Valleys. As part of the VIA Wines family, Winemaker Claudio Ramirez and his team farm estate fruit that they hand-craft into wines that reflect the typicity of each grape variety and individual region's terroir. Managed under sustainable principles with minimal intervention – Chilensis is one of only three wineries in Chile to be certified sustainable under Wines of Chile's Sustainability program in all categories - their wines showcase Chile's "viticultural" paradise.



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