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## 2012 CHILCAS RESERVA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

**WINEMAKER :** Camilo Viani  
**REGION :** Colchagua Valley, Chile  
**VARIETALS :** 89% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Cabernet Franc, 3% Carmenère  
**MATURATION :** 70% aged for 8-10 months in oak (70% French, 30% American)  
**ANALYSIS :** 14.3% alc/vol | TA: 3.40 g/L | pH: 3.60

### VINEYARD :

The grapes for the Reserva Cabernet Sauvignon come from 13 year-old vines in blocks three and four of Chilcas' Nilahue vineyard located in the Colchagua Valley. (81 miles south of Santiago). The valley is geographically diverse with a temperate Mediterranean climate. Summers are warm and dry with a significant day-night temperature variation. Winters are generally cold and rainy. Vigilant canopy management during the growing season led to an average yield of three tons per acre.

### WINEMAKING :

The grapes were hand-picked during the third week of April and immediately transported to the winery for sorting and gentle de-stemming. The fruit was cold macerated for three days followed by a warm ferment lasting four weeks, with punch downs taking place two to three times daily. 70% of the wine was then aged for eight to ten months in French and American oak barrels. The wine was naturally cold stabilized during the winter and earth-filtered prior to bottling.

### TASTING NOTES :

The 2012 Reserva Cabernet Sauvignon displays a bright violet and ruby-red color. The highly intense nose features red fruit aromas of strawberries, cherries as well as blackberries and black currants, with oak derived nuances of cedar, chocolate and toast. The palate stands out for its volume, persistence and intense, elegant tannins.

### CRITICAL ACCLAIM :

Not yet reviewed. 2011 vintage: **88 pts - Best Buy Wine Enthusiast**

### 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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