



2014 CHILCAS RESERVA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WINEMAKER:	Carlos Gatica
REGION:	Colchagua Valley, Chile
VARIETALS:	Cabernet Sauvignon 92%, Cabernet Franc 4%, Carmenere 4%
MATURATION:	Aged for 12 to 14 months in French oak (10% new)
ANALYSIS:	14.0% alc/vol TA: 5.60 g/L pH: 3.50

VINEYARD:

The grapes for the Reserva Cabernet Sauvignon come from 16 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 last two weeks 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. The wine was then aged for twelve to fourteen months in French oak barrels, 10% of which were new. The wine was naturally cold stabilized during the winter and earth-filtered prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES:

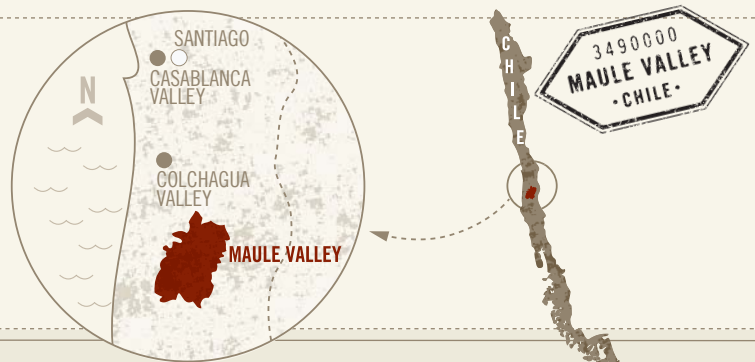
The 2014 Reserva Cabernet Sauvignon shows great varietal character and aromatic intensity with notes of red fruits and pencil lead undertones. The palate features firm tannins, good structure and a long finish. Under the right conditions this wine will develop in the cellar for up to 6 years.

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. Winemaker Carlos Gatica aims to produce the finest wines from VIA's 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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