



[Terroir Hunter]

SYRAH [2021]

Cauquenes

Vinevard

The Cauquenes area is part of the Maule Valley denomination of origin and is located approximately 400 kilometers south of Santiago.

The region has a warm temperate climate, with generally warm, dry summers with daytime temperatures ranging from 28°-30°C (82°-86°F) and cold nights of 8°-II°C (46°-52°F). Autumn is cold and wet, with total precipitation ranging from 250 mm to 500 mm, depending on the sector.

The grapes are grown in our own vineyard, planted in 2009 and located 5 km south of the town of Cauquenes on the bank of the Tutuvén River, which cools the warm afternoons that are usual in this zone. The vineyard has deep soils with variable texture. While most of the topsoil consists of clay with high silica content, in the subsoil we find partially weathered granite and even quartz.

These characteristics allow for good retention of water, releasing it slowly as the vines need it. The wines made from vineyards under these unique conditions are usually ripe, well structured, lush and complex and have an explosive finish.

Winemaking

The grapes were carefully transported and rigorously sorted at the winery, ensuring that only ripe and healthy berries went into the crusher. All unripe, overexposed or dehydrated berries were removed. After crushing, the grapes underwent cold whole berry maceration under anaerobic conditions before selected yeast inoculation.

Fermentation occurred at 27°C - 28°C for 10 days, with 3 to 4 daily "pump-overs". The wine was left over its lees and skin for an additional 14 days to further its structure. It was racked into French oak barrels, 20% of them new, where it was aged for 12 months.

Winemaker's Notes

The 2021 vintage in the Maule Valley was characterized by average yields due to higher rainfall compared to the previous season, which led to a fresher, more balanced wine with highly harmonious ripeness.

With a yield of just 1.5 kilos per plant, the resulting wine is very concentrated and balanced.

The conditions this year produced an intense Syrah dominated by aromas of black fruit like blackberries and blackcurrants, a hint of blueberry, as well as floral and spicy notes with a subtle meaty note that is characteristic of Syrah. In the mouth it is juicy, very smooth with concentrated ripe berry flavours, a bit more barrel ageing influence with hints of tobacco and chocolate, some toasted notes and a touch of charcuterie. The tannins are smooth but very present with a character that lends structure to the wine.

Winemaker

Rafael Urrejola

Bottling Date

18 November 2022 33,412 Bottles produced

T° of service: 14-15°C

Aging potential: 5 to 10 years

Ancient alluvial terrace with calcareous material

80 cm

Rocky colluvial

Technical notes Total Acidity: 3.92 g/l PH: 3.47 Residual Sugar: 2.98 g/l Alcohol: 14.5 %





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Google Earth Map Latitude 36°00'16.53"S Longitude 72°15'55.14"W









