



Technical Information

Country	Chile
Region	Central Valley
Blend	85% Merlot, 15% other varieties
Winemaker	Benoit Fitte
Body	Medium
Oak	5% in French oak
Residual Sugar	8-10 g/l
Closure	Screw Cap
Vegan	Yes
Vegetarian	Yes
Organic	No
Biodynamic	No
Sustainable	Yes
Allergens	Sulphites

VIÑA REQUINGUA

Los Gatos Merlot

Region

One of Chile's largest wine regions, the Central Valley stretches for almost 250 miles, from just south of Santiago to the southern end of the Maule Valley. Covering many different terroirs, it produces a range of different styles, largely from international varieties (in addition to Carménère). However, recently there has also been more exploration of the potential of cool-climate areas of the valley for more aromatic varieties.

Producer

Santiago Achurra Larrain founded Viña Requingua in 1961 and since then, working alongside several generations of his family, has grown the winery to be amongst Chile's top 20 producers. Grapes are sourced from vineyards located in the Curico, Maule and Colchagua Valleys, where a mild Mediterranean-like climate and varied soils offer optimum conditions for growing many different varieties. Long, dry summers with radiant days and cool nights help the grapes attain maximum potential with vibrant fruit and refreshing acidity. Winemaking is led by Frenchman Benoit Fitte, who has overseen things since 2001.

Viticulture

VTs and pergola trained. Hand and machine harvested.

Vinification

5% of the wine has been in contact with French oak. The aim is to eliminate green notes, highlight fruit, and balance structure.

Tasting Note

Medium ruby in colour with a fresh nose of plum and blackberry alongside herbal aromas. Soft and with rounded fruit on the palate, finishing with a hint of cacao.

Food Matching

A good pairing with lighter meats such as turkey and pork as well as pasta and mushroom-based dishes.