

# ERRAZURIZ

The state-of-the art winery at Errazuriz has been thoughtfully designed to minimize energy usage year-round.



## Don Maximiano 2017

Aconcagua Valley, Chile

### ESTATE

Errázuriz is recognized as perhaps the single top quality producer of Chilean wines. Within recent years, Eduardo Chadwick, President, was named Decanter Man of the Year 2018 and the winery was awarded Best Chilean Winery 2017 by Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

### WINE

Introduced with the 1983 Vintage, Don Maximiano was among the first of the new generation of "Super Chileans." The flagship for the estate and a global system of how distinct and extraordinary the wines of Chile can be, this world class Cabernet oozes with irresistible fruit that is detailed, balanced and long.

### VINEYARD

*Soils:* The soils are volcanic, colluvial, and piedmont (Max I and II) or alluvial (Ma V) in origin, with good drainage conferring low to moderate vigor.

*Farming:* Environmentally friendly processes include using gravity instead of pumps to move wine, controlling temperatures with wind in underground ducts to avoid use of air conditioning, and using solar panels and special window glass to save energy.

### WINEMAKING

*Variety:* 67% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Malbec, 8% Carmenere, 7% Petit Verdot, 6% Cabernet Franc

*Fermentation:* In small stainless steel tanks to maximize contact between juice and skins, using selected yeasts at temperatures between 75-83 F. Three daily pumpovers moved 0.5-1.5 times the volume of the tanks, with total maceration lasting 12 to 30 days.

*Aging:* 22 months in French oak barrels, 72% new. Malolactic fermentation, clarification, and stabilization occurs naturally in barrel.

*Alcohol:* 14%

### VINTAGE

The 2017 vintage in the Don Maximiano vineyard will be remembered by the hot temperatures recorded throughout the season. Nevertheless, the winery was able to manage this scenario favorably by careful irrigation management in the vineyards, increasing the water supply during the hottest periods and by harvesting significantly earlier. In turn, the wines produced reflected the outstanding quality of terroir, balancing concentration, power and velvety tannins, along with freshness and fruit intensity.

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"Currants, flowers, sandalwood and crushed stone. Some cocoa. Medium to full body and linear, tight tannins. Bright and fresh. Energetic. Shows serious tension and focus. Excellent finish." - JS 12/2019

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