

ERRAZURIZ

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



MAX Chardonnay 2020

Aconcagua Costa, 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

One of Francisco Baettig's favorite varietals to work with, year after year MAX Chardonnay is noted for its crispness and lively acidity. The exceptional soils and cool ocean breeze provide optimal conditions for Chardonnay in Errazuriz' coastal vineyards, located just 8 miles from the Pacific. The diverse soils control plant vigor, producing fruit that is balanced yet intensely concentrated, with a beautiful fresh citrus and mineral profile.

VINEYARD

Soils: Thin, 15-30 inch layer of loam texture over a layer of clay and broken slate-like rocks (schist)

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: 100% Chardonnay

Fermentation: Handpicked, sorted, whole-cluster pressed and fermented in stainless steel tanks. Approximately 30% of the final blend underwent malolactic fermentation.

Aging: 10 months in French oak barrels, 20% new

Alcohol: 13.5%

VINTAGE

Undoubtedly a very challenging 2020 season, presenting the driest winter of the last 50 years. The vineyards in the Aconcagua Region had to endure an intense hydric marathon to accomplish ripeness. Warm temperatures, especially in springtime, ended the season with a slightly colder March and April. Moderate crop yield and abundant irrigation in summer helped maintain the freshness and quality of the vines.

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"Aromas of cooked apple and green mango with some floral undertones. Medium to full bodied with a creamy texture and a yogurt undertone. Hints of cream. Fruity at the end." - J.S., 6/2021

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