

Family Vineyards

MARCHINUE

SVRAH 75%. CABERNET SAUNGRON 25%

D.O. VALLE DE COLCHAGUA BISQUERTY

CHILE

With all of the strength and freshness that comes with the cold Pacific Ocean wind, the gentle yet indomitable granitic clay hillsides of Chequen emerges the whirlwind of this unique and impetuous syrah.

Q Clay begins among the rows in the micro-terroir in Marchihue. The shallow clay and granitic soils formed during the Quaternary period of Chile's Coastal Range lend special characteristics to the vineyard. Soils with good drainage, high porosity, and moderate fertility in conjunction with the specific morphology and coastally influence climate produce our best wines.



Blend

2014

Appellation Marchihue

El Chequén Estate.

20-year old vineyard located 30 km from the ocean. Ungrafted, VSP-trained mass selection planted on slopes. Automatic irrigation system. These plants do not produce a thick vegetative mass. The

base Syrah is sourced from vineyards planted on slopes.

Climate Mediterranean climate with ocean influence and temperatures

ranging from 8° to 12°C in winter and from 18° to 29°C in

summer. Annual precipitation: 500 mm.

Soil

Quaternary medium-depth clay soil on granite matrix on the Coastal Range. Various clay "colors" intertwine in the profile with a predominant red clay component.

Manual harvest beginning the second week of April. Crushing

without rollers, cold pre-fermentation maceration for 48 hours.

20% in open barrels with native yeasts, manual pumping over and

daily aeration.

12 months in 30-hl oak french foudres and 50-hl naked concrete Aging

Alcohol (%) 14

3,5

Acidity (g/l) 3,56

Sugar (g/l) 2

Tasting Notes Q Clay reveals a deep, intense red color with violet hues and rich

aromatic complexity that opens up in layers of abundant red and black fruit, blackberries, raspberries, plums, and spices like pepper and clove and features a very marked animal profile from the higher percentage of Syrah in the blend that brings in leather, animal skin, smoke and mineral notes. The palate is broad, complex and offers balanced acidity. The wine reveals powerful but silky and elegant tannins and a nervous character that leads

to a long, intense and elegant finish.

Q Clay is the perfect match for all kinds of game like Wild boar,

deer, rhea, guanaco and lamb. Also pairs well with

strong-flavored cheeses like Manchego and blue, and game and

fine cold meats.

Recommended

Pairing

Autumn / Winter 16°C.



