

DOMAINES BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD (LAFITE)

LOS VASCOS

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016

BACKGROUND

Los Vascos wines blend Lafite tradition with the unique terroir of Chile to create elegant wines that bring exceptional to the everyday. The vision of Domaines Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) to expand their estate took them to South America in 1988, becoming the first French viticultural investment in modern Chile. Since then, a comprehensive modernization and investment program has been undertaken, oriented towards the production of fine wine using and adapting the viticultural experiences of Bordeaux and other areas where Domaines Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) is present.

Los Vascos is located in Valley de Caneten (Colchagua), a closed valley in the central zone of Chile, approximately 25 miles from the sea. The valley provides a perfect microclimate for high quality viticulture, with Northern exposure to lands uncontaminated by airborne or water-borne pollutants. Daily on-shore winds provide temperature changes between 68-77°F, for optimum maturation of the grapes.

APPELLATION

Colchagua Valley, Chile

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

VINTAGE NOTES

A normal winter, with continued rains, yet mostly concentrated in July. Temperatures went up and down in the spring, with highest above 95°F. They remained high throughout the summer, particularly in January, with a peak of 100°F. In March, a month before the harvest, temperatures declined significantly (a high of 82°F). Despite the unexpected precipitation during the harvest, the grapes were not harmed and resulted in excellent quality with a refined, elegant character.

WINEMAKING

Harvest took place between March 14th and May 4th. The grapes were de-stemmed and crushed at the moment of reception. Fermentation took place in temperature-controlled stainless steel vats between 77-81°F, followed by a maceration period between 10 to 15 days. Malolactic fermentation took place in stainless steel vats.

TASTING NOTES

Ruby red color. Plum and cherry-scented on the nose with hints of caramel, chocolate, tobacco and black olives. Well-structured mouthfeel with good volume and pleasant tannins. A wine with a forward personality.



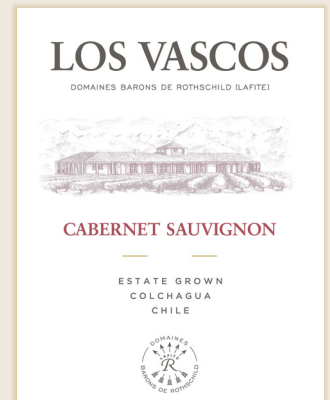
WINEMAKER

Marcelo Gallardo
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TECHNICAL DATA

Acidity
3.2 g/L - pH: 3.6
Alcohol
14%

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