

DOMAINES BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD (LAFITE)

LOS VASCOS

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015

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

2015 was marked by unusual climate conditions during bud break and rain concentrated mostly in September. Although such conditions led to a late bud break, the grapes were of outstanding quality. Our team managed to offset the delay by altering the irrigation regime. Efficient vineyard management and an absence of extreme temperatures resulted in a normal harvest.

WINEMAKING

Harvest took place between April 1st and May 13th. 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

Intense ruby red color. The nose is rich in fruit aromas, offering fresh plums, cherries, and ripe raspberries followed by pleasant black currant notes. Fruit aromas mingle harmoniously with hints of licorice and white pepper. The palate is fresh and juicy, with remarkably well-balanced acidity, alcohol, and tannins. A wine with a delightfully captivating personality.

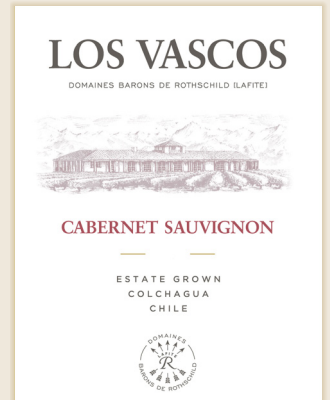
WINEMAKER

Marcelo Gallardo
Olivier Tregot

TECHNICAL DATA

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

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90 PTS DECANTER

88 PTS WINE SPECTATOR 2/17

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