

DOMAINES BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD (LAFITE)

LOS VASCOS

GRANDE RÉSERVE

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

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

85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Carmenère, 5% Syrah, 5% Malbec

VINTAGE NOTES

Harsh spring frosts when the vines were in full bud break hindered the development of the buds and the clusters. Although temperatures were not particularly low (28°F), the frosts were quite long, lasting for several hours at a time. Consequently, the vines produced fewer bunches, which in turn led to higher quality.

WINEMAKING

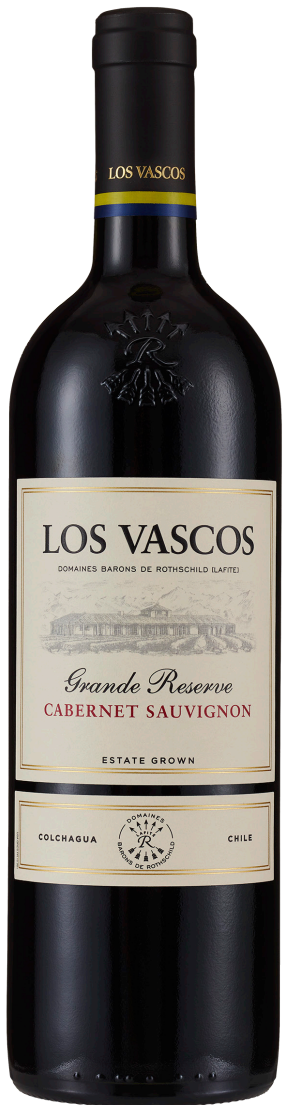
Grapes were hand harvested under normal conditions between April 22nd and May 6th. The grapes were fermented in temperature controlled stainless steel vats, with pumping over, allowed for the extraction of aromatic components, colors and flavors characteristic of each varietal.

AGEING

The wine was aged for 12 months in French oak barrels (20% new).

TASTING NOTES

Beautiful ruby red color. Aromas of fresh, ripe fruits such as raspberry, cherry, and plum can be discerned in the rich nose, along with notes of caramel, dark chocolate, black olive, and cedar. On the palate, the firm yet elegant tannins bring structure and volume. A powerful, expressive wine with terrific freshness.



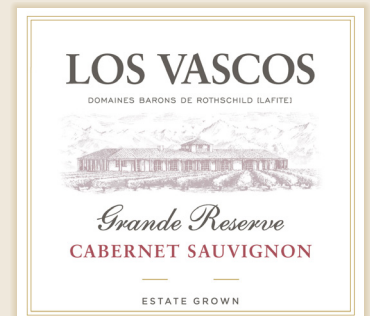
WINEMAKER

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TECHNICAL DATA

Acidity
3.26 g/L
Alcohol
14%

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