

2016

## VINEYARDS

**D.O.:** Casablanca Valley

The grapes for our Chardonnay Estate Series come from our vineyards in the Casablanca Valley, a cool climate area on the northwestern side of Chile's coastal range less than 30 kilometers from the Pacific Ocean. Pacific breezes and early morning fog, make this property ideal for producing cool climate varietals such as Chardonnay.

#### VINTAGE NOTES

The challenging vintage of 2016 performed different scenarios through the season, with a cool spring and a warmer than average summer. A rainy and cool October was followed by pleasant spring days in November, promoting a healthy flowering and fruit set. At the beginning of the summer temperatures gradually increased, reaching during January temperatures higher than the historical averages. February was warm, with oncoming sunny weather interspersed with cool morning fog, prevailing through to the end of the growing season. All of this conditions delivered wines of outstanding vivacity and character.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

Grapes were picked at a low temperature and taken to the winery where they were whole-cluster pressed. The fermentation took 10 to 15 days at 14º-17ºC. 20% of the must was fermented in fourth-and fifth-use French oak barrels. Since the aim was to achieve the characteristic fresh aromas and flavours of Chardonnay, these wines did not undergo malolactic fermentation.

# TASTING NOTES

This Chardonnay displays a beautiful yellow straw color with greenish hues. On the nose, it reveals intense aromas of tropical fruit such as pineapple and passion fruit, framed by light toasty oak notes. Fresh and expressive fruit, this Chardonnay has a beautiful texture and good depth. Its vivid acidity makes it a fresh and juicy wine, with a long and persistent finish.

### FOOD PAIRING

Enjoy with chicken, light pasta dishes, grilled fish and all kinds of seafood.

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

COMPOSITION: 100% Chardonnay

**ALCOHOL:** 13.5%

**PH:** 3.11

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 2.28 g/l

TOTAL ACIDITY: 6.74 g/l (in tartaric acid)



