



Villa
DON MAXIMIANO

2018
D.O. ACONCAGUA VALLEY

The second wine to Don Maximiano Founder's Reserve, inspired by Villa Errázuriz, built by the founder in 1870.

HARVEST NOTES

2018 is considered a perfect vintage. It was one of those rare occasions in which all of the conditions were aligned to achieve the best expression of the terroir. These exceptional conditions resulted in a unique balance between power and elegance and delivered wines with depth, intense flavours and freshness, and great ageing potential.

The season began with substantial reserves of water in the soils, thanks to the 230 millimetres of rain that fell between May and October, which is significantly higher than the 154-millimetres average. These water conditions, in conjunction with temperatures within the historic parameters in the spring and isolated rains, facilitated very even bud break. Flowering was also excellent.

Until that point in the season, the heat summation had followed a trend that was similar to the historical average, although the weather conditions changed in the summer. December was hot and dry, resulting in excellent fruit set, while January, which is usually the hottest month of the season, was cool with many cloudy days, which limited the risk of sunburned grapes during veraison and enabled the conservation of excellent acidity. The conditions returned to historic parameters toward the end of the summer, balancing the season's total heat summation and ending with just 1% above average and resulting in the perfect end of the season with complete maturation along with excellent fruit intensity.

TASTING NOTES

"The 2018 vintage of Villa Don Maximiano has a deep ruby red colour with a violet hue. The nose of this wine is very intense, with floral aromas such as violets and lavender accompanied by fresh blueberries and a light note of blackcurrant leaves. On the palate, the fresh red fruit recalls sour cherries, a bit of blackcurrants, and a light roasted note, cacao, and cloves. This is a fresh and linear wine with excellent tension as well as a broad entry and tannins that are firm but with a good expansion on the palate that lends the sensation of structure and silkiness."

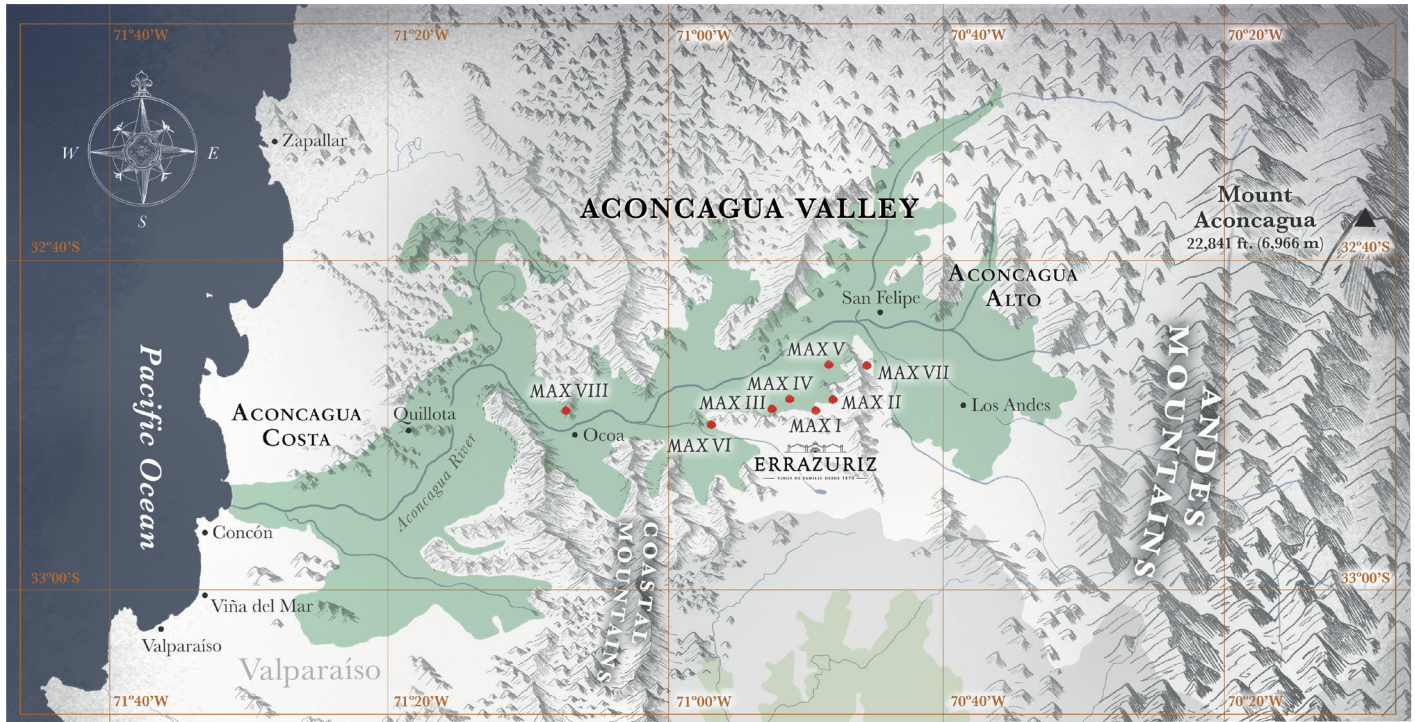
Francisco Baettig, Technical Director

COMPOSITION: 28% Cabernet Sauvignon,
23% Syrah, 21% Malbec, 16% Cabernet
Franc, 7% Grenache and 5% Mourvedre
ALCOHOL: 14%
pH: 3.51

TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.67 g/L (in tartaric acid)
RESIDUAL SUGAR: 2.35 g/L
AGEING: 22 months in French oak
barrels, 50% new



ACONCAGUA VALLEY MAP



VINEYARDS

Villa Don Maximiano comes from a selection of our MAX vineyards located in the interior of the Aconcagua Valley, from our emblematic MAX I Vineyard, following the Aconcagua River westward to the MAX III Vineyard.

These vineyards have an enormous diversity in their soils, which range from eroded intrusive igneous rock to deep, coarse-grained alluvium with excellent drainage. The Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Franc, Syrah, Grenache, and Mourvèdre varieties grow there in vineyards that are 15–30 years old. The vines are planted on hillsides up to 600 metres above sea level, 60 kilometres from the Pacific Ocean on the southern bank of the Aconcagua River.

The region has an extended dry season with moderately warm summer days cooled by gentle breezes that blow in from the Pacific Ocean in the evenings.