



internationally-acclaimed wines of character produced exclusively from sustainably-farmed, estate-grown grapes

# VIÑA VENTISQUERO

CHILE

Ventisquero was founded in 2000 to produce exclusively estate wines. Ventisquero is active in Chile's most prestigious winemaking regions, owning properties in Coastal Maipo, Lolol, Casablanca, Colchagua, and Leyda. Head winemaker Felipe Tosso oversaw the winery construction in the Coastal Maipo Valley, home of Ventisquero's first estate vineyard. Led by Tosso, a seasoned team of winemakers employs cutting-edge techniques to create unique wines that exemplify quality and innovation.

## **PINOT NOIR RESERVA** "Soul of the Andes"

100% Pinot Noir grown in sandy-clay soils and slowly ripened in the Casablanca Valley. Night-harvested and fermented in open tanks with pump-overs. 15% saw 10 months in French oak, with the rest in stainless to preserve the integrity and brightness of the fruit. *Splendid Pinot character with driving red fruit facets and hints of spice and vanilla from the French oak. This is a delicate yet medium-bodied Pinot Noir with impressive balance, soft tannins, elegance and length. **Deliciously thrilling Pinot value!***

## **CARMÉNÈRE RESERVA** "Soul of the Andes"

85% Carménère with 15% Syrah, grown in highly permeable granitic and stony soils of the Colchagua Valley. 70% was aged 10 months in French oak. *Intense and attractive with forward black and red fruit characteristics: blueberries, blackberries, blackcurrants, strawberries, and cherries; spice and earth notes and a hint of chocolate.*

## **CARMÉNÈRE 100% "GREY" Single-Block #5**

Ventisquero's **GREY** bottlings are embodiments of terroir. This splendid 100% Carménère from the Trinidad Vineyard was aged 18 months in extra-fine-grain French oak, 33% new. *Blueberry and blackberry scents with black pepper, tobacco and chocolate; expressive with good body, soft tannins, and a long finish.*

## **GCM 50/25/25 "GREY" Single-Block #28**

*Vinous: **91 Points*** "Vivid ruby-red. Lively, spice-accented red berry and floral pastille scents, along with hints of allspice and white pepper. Silky and graceful on the palate, offering vibrant raspberry and bitter cherry flavors and an exotic orange zest flourish. A suave and accessible blend with excellent finishing clarity and lift and just a hint of fine-grained tannins. This would be a fun wine to put up against some pretty serious southern Rhônes."

## **CABERNET SAUVIGNON "GREY" Single-Block #38**

Hand-harvested at the Trinidad Estate in Maipo, this Cabernet shows the intense fruit typical of that region. 93/4/3 Cab Sauv, Cab Franc, and Petit Verdot, aged 18 months in ultra-fine grained French oak (33% new). *Elegant with good volume; round, ripe tannins; an enveloping body with a long, clean finish that lingers in the mouth.*

## **CABERNET SAUVIGNON "ENCLAVE"**

Looking to create a complex, elegant Bordeaux-styled red in Maipo Alto, Felipe Tosso and John Duval discovered Pirque: influenced by the Andes and the Maipo River, the climate is Mediterranean with highly fluctuating temperatures. The 20 year-old vines enjoy good drainage and low fertility, ripening slowly to favor fresh fruit flavors, good structure, and soft tannins. **Uniquely Chilean character with classic Bordelais elements.**

*Vinous on the 2011: **94 Points*** "Deep, bright ruby. Heady, oak-tinged black and blue fruit scents are complemented by suggestions of cola, licorice and mocha. Sweet, broad and seamless, conveying very good heft to its blackberry and boysenberry flavors. Gains weight and power with air and finishes with smooth, harmonious tannins and a whiplash of juicy dark fruit."



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