

LACRUZ 2010

ORIGIN: COLCHAGUA VALLEY

CARMÉNÈRE 71%

SYRAH 20%

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 9%



LaCruz 2010 was made from grapes picked in our Marchigue Estate. This vineyard, with its granitic soils, offers complexity in the grapes which is ultimately expressed in the final wine. The climatic conditions in Colchagua are outstanding for the production of the grapes that are used to make LaCruz.

2010 was an historic vintage with the grapes able to ripen exceptionally well due to the decent temperatures during the spring and the lack of rainfall which led to grapes with an optimum phenolic ripeness.



Harvest

YIELDS: 6 Tons/Ha

PICKING DATES:

Carmenere: 8th May

Cabernet Sauvignon: 6th May

Syrah: 7th May

SELECTION: A careful selection of bunches took place to remove any that were dehydrated or not of an optimum quality and to extract any leaves.

Vinification

The grapes were fermented separately but each was subject to a cold soak at a temperature of 8°C for 5 days to obtain greater colour and aromas. Fermentation, then took place at 26-28°C with regular pump-overs to extract colour, tannins and flavours from the skins. After fermentation a further period of maceration occurred to ensure that the tannins were round and complex.

Barrel Ageing

18 months in French Oak. The wine was aged in new barrels (50% approx.) as well as second and third use barrels.

Tasting Notes

APPEARANCE: A deep, bright purply red with violet tinges.

AROMAS: This wine is bursting with intense dark fruit aromas such as blueberries and blackberries blended with subtle hints of red fruit especially ripe and juicy cherries. These aromas are also accompanied by soft, toasty notes from the French barrel ageing.

FLAVOURS: This wine is full of concentrated, ripe fruit flavours such as cherries, blackcurrants and blueberries. Its tannins are silky, complex and round. This is a truly elegant wine with a long, lingering finish.

Technical Data

Alcohol	: 14,5 %
pH	: 3,48
Total Acid	: 3,68 g/l
Residual Sugar	: 2,94 g/l
SO2 free	: 33 mg/l
SO2 total	: 100 mg/l
Cases	: 346 cases



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