

POLKURA is a wine growing project, started in 2002 by the Muñoz and Bruchfeld families, with the purpose of making an exceptional wine, based on the exciting Syrah grape variety. Marchigüe, at the western end of the Colchagua Valley in Chile was chosen as the ideal site, for it has shown enormous potential to produce this varietal.

POLKURA is the name of a little hill, located inside the vineyard. On its slopes grow the grapes that make this wine. POLKURA means "Yellow stone" in the native Chilean Mapuche language, referring to large amounts of yellow granite spread along the clay soils of the area. Decomposed granite imparts the wine with minerality and elegance, whereas clay gives it body and structure. The moderate coastal climate adds spice and fruitiness, resulting in a fine, yet complex and full-bodied wine with very good balance.

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2019

# SYRAH

# VITICULTURE

Varietal Composition : 85% Syrah, 12% Cabernet Franc, 2% Grenache Noir, 1% tempranillo Appellation of Origin : Marchigüe Area, Colchagua Valley, Chile Trellising system : Vertical shoot positioning Pruning : Cordon Irrigation : Drip Soil type : Decomposed granite with clay **VINIFICATION** Harvest date : From March to the second week of April Harvest method : Hand harvested Transport : 13 kg boxes Fruit selectio: Bunches in elevators, and grapes after destemming Crushing Yes Cold soaking (8-11°C) : 2-3 days Yeast : BO2[3 and F33 Yeast nutrients : Go-Ferm, Superfood, DAP Fermentation temperature : Days F3: 27-299C

Day 3-end of fermentation: 26-28°C Alcoholic fermentation: 10 days Pump-overs : First 2 days: 2 per day with lots of extraction Day 3 to end of fermentation: 2 per day, determined by tasting No pump-overs post fermentation Total skin contact : 40 days Malolactic fermentation: Spontaneous, 100% in oak barrels

### AGEING

Blend in oak barrels: 100% Coopers: Sylvain, Nadalié Grain and toasting: Fine and Extra Fine. M+ toasting Time in barrels: 12 months Type of barrels: 100% French oak Age of barrels: 15% new, 85% second and third use Rackings: 1

# BOTTLING

Stabilisation : No Fining : No Filtration : No Bottling date : March, 2022 Stoppers: Amorim XPur Bottling machine : Monoblock Vacuum Total production : 3,700 cases **ANALYSIS** Alcohol : 14,5% Residual Sugar : 2,73 g/L Total acidity: 3,66 g/L

pH:3.54

## Winemaker's comments:

In terms of temperature, the 2019 season would be considered average, meaning there were no extremes. Rains were limited, as always, given the extensive drought, so were also in the range of "normal". We're seeing a harvest that best represents Chilean wine. We have again included an important percentage oif Cabernet Franc. We really happy that we planted it with all its fruit and texture. We also added a little Grenache and Tempranillo.

# **Tasting notes:**

Deep red-violet color with ruby hues. On the nose, it displays black and red fruits, along with cedar, tobacco, and hints of chocolate. In the mouth, it is a well-balanced wine. It is intense and has a long-lasting persistence, with its flavors lingering for an extended period on the palate. It is a complex wine with layers of flavors that emerge and complement each other in the mouth.

Sven Bruchfeld

