

Root:1™

[2006 CABERNET SAUVIGNON]

CHARACTER COMES FROM YOUR ROOTS

Chile's distinctive geography makes it one of very few grape growing regions in the world where original European rootstock has been unaffected by phylloxera. While most vineyards around the world are planted on grafted rootstock, Root: 1 Cabernet Sauvignon and Sauvignon Blanc are grown on original, ungrafted roots, producing wines with intense fruit flavor and authentic varietal character.

APPELLATION: Colchagua Valley, Chile

WINEMAKER: Felipe Tosso

WINERY: Viña Ventisquero

VINTAGE: 2006

VARIETAL: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon
15% Syrah

TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.4 g/L
ALCOHOL %: 14.2%
pH: 3.7

VINTAGE NOTES: Clear skies and the cool, dry influence of La Niña resulted in a long growing season and a late harvest for the 2006 vintage. Perfectly ripe grapes yielded a beautifully colored, complex Cabernet with silky tannins.

VINEYARDS: Located between the massive Andes Mountains and the low coastal mountains of the Pacific Ocean, the warm and dry vineyards of El Suspiro are world-renowned for producing outstanding red wines with rich color, full body and varietal character. The steep rocky soil maintains moisture for the vines during the intense summer heat while the coastal mountains temper the cool maritime influences of the Pacific.

WINEMAKING: The grapes were hand picked during April then carefully sorted and crushed in preparation for fermentation. All lots were aged 12 months in 50% American oak and 50% French oak.

TASTING NOTES: Rich ruby in color with dark cherry, black currant, toffee and mocha notes. Silky tannins and good structure lead to a long and complex finish accented with vanilla notes.

FOOD PAIRINGS: Pair with brie, gruyere, Italian dishes, grilled meats, steak, ribs or chocolate.