

93 points awarded to 2007 Domus Aurea!



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### Cabernet Sauvignon and Blends

Since the dawning of Chile's modern wine industry in the late 1980s and early 1990s, Cabernet Sauvignon has been the horse that has pulled the cart, with wines from the Maipo and Colchagua Valleys leading the way. Except for a handful of excellent Syrahs, these are the wines that regularly generate the highest scores among Chilean reds. They are also relatively high priced, which pits them against the top Malbecs from Argentina, the best Cabs of California, top-shelf Bordeaux and other icon bottlings from around the world.

#### **The best Cabs and high-end blends of 2010 were:**

**93 Domus Aurea 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon (Maipo Valley); \$60.** After a few down years, Domus Aurea is back. This is a dynamic mix of brawny berry, tobacco and toast. Drink now through 2014. *Editors' Choice.*

**92 Santa Carolina 2007 VSC (Maipo Valley); \$30.** Maybe the best-ever wine from Santa Carolina. Shows pure fruit and just a hint of fresh herbs. Classy and elevated. *Editors' Choice.*

