



# KUYEN 2005

Álvaro Espinoza is one of the finest winemakers in South America today. His celebrated wine Antiyal is often referred to as Chile's first "garage wine." More recently, the talented Espinoza released a wine named Kuyen that he calls his "baby Antiyal."

Kuyen, which means "moon" in the Chilean native language Mapuche, is made by Espinoza and his wife Marina on their small estate in the Maipo Valley. It is a wine made to honor "the ancient traditions and cosmic vision of the people of the earth." This is a 55% Syrah, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Carmenere blend made with grapes from the Maipo Valley. Kuyen's grapes are biodynamically grown, which Espinoza believes gives his fruit a superior expression of *terroir*.

The Kuyen blend is aged in French oak barrels, then bottled and aged an additional six months in the cellar prior to release. The 2005 vintage had the benefit of a long, warm summer, allowing for full ripening of the grapes.

Following Antiyal's lead, Espinoza's Kuyen is another Wine & Spirits favorite—earning 91 points for the 2004 vintage.

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