

VIÑA  
**MAQUIS**

VIOLA

VINTAGE: 2013

R.S:

VALLEY: COLCHAGUA

T.A:

ALCOHOL:

PH:

VARIETIES:



## BRAND & HISTORY

Viola is the sublime result of closely observing the best vineyards on the Maquis estate and identifying specific sectors and rows where the vines produce particularly small and concentrated grapes. These special characteristics result in a wine with silky, elegant tannins and great depth.

## VINEYARD

Viña Maquis is located in the heart of the Colchagua Valley between the Tinguiririca River and the Chimbarongo Creek. Both waterways act as pathways for cool coastal breezes that moderate the warm summers and have a dramatic effect on lowering the maximum temperatures by 2°-3°C.

This area with deep alluvial soils and a two-meter layer of highly concentrated clay set over a deeper layer of gravel—brought by the rivers—provide natural drainage that allows the grapes to lose the green characteristics very early in the season. The waterways also help moderate extreme weather conditions throughout the year by protecting the vineyards from spring frosts and lowering the maximum summer temperatures. These features are distinctive of Viña Maquis and uncommon in the rest of the Colchagua Valley.

## 2013 CLIMATE

This harvest occurred after a warm year, with rains throughout the spring and cool temperatures around March, which, by the end of the season, resulted in a slower ripening of the grapes and eventually in fresh, elegant wines with an excellent natural balance.

On top of it, the rains during the spring enhanced bigger berries, later submitted to a smooth extraction during the fermentation process, which favored a young yet pleasant wine.

## HARVEST & WINEMAKING

- Carmenere and Cabernet Franc were 100% hand harvested.
- Hand sorting of clusters and grapes.
- Ageing in French oak barrels for 14 months

## ACCOLADES, AWARDS & TASTING NOTES

- 94 Points, Robert Parker, April 2017.
- 95 Points, Descorchados 2017, Chile.

## REVIEWS

« The cooler year seems to have been an advantage for the 2013 Viola, which this time is a blend of 87% Carménère, 11% Cabernet Franc and 2% Cabernet Sauvignon. This is simply a phenomenal Carménère, with no green aromas whatsoever; it is subtle and floral, terribly elegant and with a very tasty finish », **Luis Gutierrez, Wine Advocate, 28th Apr 2017.**

