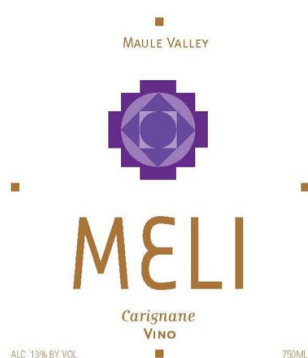


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## MELI OLD VINE CARIGNAN FROM MAULE, CHILE



Located in the Valle de Loncomilla in Maule, the Meli vineyard has some of Chile's oldest, dry-farmed vines, including old vine Carignan. Meli owner and winemaker Adriana Cerda, one of Chile's pioneering female winemakers, recently released the Meli 2010 Carignan. Considering the fruit, the winemaking, and the price, this wine is an exceptional value. Meli is a member of Chile's MOVI [Movimiento de Vinateros Independientes], an association of 19 small, garage wineries.

### **Meli 2010 Carignan Maule Valley (\$15) 90**

The Maule Valley is famous for its old vine Carignan, and this bottling shows why. The wine reveals delicious dark red fruit aromas and flavors with savory saline-like notes. It has excellent acidity, firm tannins, and good depth of flavor. Given its low price, it's an incredible value. Importer: Global Vineyard Importers, Berkeley, CA

MAULE VALLEY



MELI

*Carignane*  
VINO

ALC. 13% BY VOL.

750ML.

winemaker Adriana Cerda has crafted a beauty here. It has a beautiful, bright medium red color and an attractive nose of red raspberry and plum fruit. The palate is of medium weight with good acidity and structure. There's an impressive purity of red fruit on the palate that carries through to a long finish. 2000 cases produced. **Extremely good value!**