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GLOBAL VINEYARD IMPORTERS: CHILE & URUGUAY

MARICHAL

90 pts 2014 Marichal Premium Varietal Tannat:

This is an unwooded Tannat made from a mix of clones. It offers fresh dark cherry and plum with a hint of tobacco leaf. It has soft tannins and rich flavors. Very well-made.

90+ pts 2013 Marichal Reserve Collection Pinot Noir/Tannat:

A very attractive 70/30 blend of Pinot Noir and Tannat... Very flavorful with good depth and length.

91 pts 2013 Marichal Reserve Collection Tannat:

Layers of dark fruit with tobacco and herbal notes, finishing long and smooth. 70 percent of the wine is aged in barrel for 12 months, 30% new.

92 pts 2013 Marichal Grand Reserve Tannat "A":

Marichal's top wine comes from a 40 year old, single vineyard. It's a rich, ripe wine with an intriguing, complex nose of primary fruit, chocolate, rosemary and mint. The palate is silky smooth and dense with excellent depth of flavor—dark cherry. Made from one of the first French Tannat clones planted in Uruguay.

APALTAGUA

89 pts 2014 Apaltagua Cabernet Sauvignon

Reserva: Showing an enticing saturated ruby red color; it's fruit forward, softly textured and of medium weight with a long, refreshing aftertaste.

91 pts 2013 Apaltagua Signature Cabernet

Sauvignon: Dark ruby. Showing hints of tobacco, cedar, dark cherry and cassis on the nose, the "Signature" Cab surprises on the palate with a lush texture and complex flavors.

DOMUS AUREA & ANKA

92 pts 2010 Anka Red Blend: This is an extraordinary wine for the price; it's elegant and packed with flavor. Smooth on the palate, it reveals black currant, licorice, and hints of cigar box and mesquite. Dense and fruit-rich, it's almost unctuous in its concentration with a fine tannic structure and a super-rich finish. A blend of 62% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Merlot, 12% Cabernet Franc, 10% Carmenera, and 3% Syrah.

94 pts 2011 Domus Aurea Cabernet Sauvignon:

This is a firmly structured, very rich and flavorful wine.

MAQUIS

89 pts 2012 Maquis Carmenera: Starbright ruby red color, showing purity of red fruit. The wine is broad on the palate with good concentration of flavors.

90+ pts 2012 Maquis Cabernet Franc:

This wine confirms the special role that Cabernet Franc plays at Maquis. Revealing notes of sage, mulberry, and red plum, the Cabernet Franc is a sophisticated, silky smooth wine with fine firm tannins and an unctuous, long lasting finish. Superb.

91 pts 2010 Maquis Lien Red Blend:

Showing a rich, perfumed nose of cigar box, liqueur-like dark plum, and bouquet garni, the 2010 Lien is a densely flavored, voluptuous wine with good complexity and depth of flavor, with a real sense of place. Absolutely delicious. A blend of 52% Carmenera, 35% Syrah, 10% Cabernet Franc and 5% Petit Verdot matured 14 months in French barriques, 25% new.



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