

The Wines of Álvaro Espinoza



Álvaro Espinoza is widely regarded as one of the finest winemakers in South America today, as well as one of the foremost authorities on organic viticulture in South America. *Wine & Spirits* named him one of the world's "50 Most Influential Winemakers," describing him as "a reference point for Chilean wines, not only because his reds are full of personality, but also because he has increasingly improved his viticultural sixth sense to the point where it is brilliantly sharp."

Antiyal and Kuyen are both owned by Espinoza and his wife Marina, who use only organically grown, hand-picked grapes from their small, low-yield estate in the Maipo Valley. Espinoza is also the winemaker for Apaltagua Winery in the Apalta region.

2008 Antiyal



This celebrated biodynamic wine is often referred to as Chile's first "garage wine." The 2008

vintage has an intense and complex aroma of dark fruit and mineral notes. The palate is rich and concentrated with volume, balance and a lingering, soft finish. The 100% Maipo Valley estate fruit is hand harvested and is a blend of 43% Carmenère, 39% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 18% Syrah. Aged one year in French oak barrels, then bottled and aged for an additional six months in the cellar prior to release.

This outstanding blend is a perennial *Wine Spectator* favorite, earning 90+ points for every vintage since 2000. This vintage was awarded 92 points by Stephen Tanzer.

pH: 3.7
T/A: 3.38 g/l
Alcohol: 14.5%

2008 KUYEN



Espinoza calls Kuyen his "baby Antiyal." Kuyen means moon in Chile's native language *Mapuche*, and the wine is made to

honor "the ancient traditions and cosmic vision of the people of the earth."

This 49% Syrah-34% Cabernet Sauvignon-17% Carmenere blend is made with biodynamically grown grapes from the Maipo Valley. It shows deep color with intense aromas of dark fruit, spice and minerals. The palate is juicy with good body and volume and soft, ripe tannins. Aged one year in French oak barrels.

Kuyen is another critically acclaimed wine—praised as "exceptional" by *Dan Berger* and regularly earning 90+ points from the *Wine Spectator* and Steve Tanzer.

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