

CALINA

2012

carménère

VALLE CENTRAL, CHILE

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If you wanted to design the perfect wine growing region, it would probably look a lot like Chile. With 2,900 miles that stretch from north to south, Chile offers more diversity than any other place on earth. Its climate is temperate, chilled by the daily breezes from the cold Pacific Ocean to the west and the towering Andes Mountains to the east. Inspired by the Andes Mountains and our great vineyards under their majestic proximity, the script pattern found on our label is a direct representation of the mountain's shape.

Our winery is located in the rolling foothills of the Maule Valley in Chile. In this beautiful, isolated country, Calina makes wines that are deep, structured and staunchly Chilean by blending grapes from select vineyards within appellations that showcase the best of each variety.

VINEYARDS

Chile is made up of Regions, Subregions, Provinces and Communes. Spanning from O'Higgins to Maule Region, Valle Central has four sub-regions: Maipo, Rapel, Curico and Maule Valleys. The grapes for the 2012 vintage were sourced from our vineyards in the Talca and Cauquenes areas in the Maule Valley, which is notably one of the longest, oldest and most internationally acclaimed wine regions in Chile.

WINEMAKING

Harvest was done entirely by hand based upon taste, not numbers. Rigorous vineyard practices, including winter pruning, shoot suckering, fruit thinning and green drop ensured that vines were in perfect balance. After a three-day cold soak to extract the appropriate soft tannins, additional color and flavor, the juice was fermented and then transferred to a combination of French and American oak barrels.

TASTING NOTES

The 2012 Carménère has a dark, inky color with intense aromas of ripe black cherries, fresh berries, spice and fresh herbs. The tannins are well-integrated, providing underlying structure to support the wine's opulent fruit.

WINE STATISTICS

APPELLATION: Valle Central

COMPOSITION: 100% Carménère

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

AGING: French and American oak barrels

